THE WEATHER.

Rain; warmer Sunday; brisk east winds; Monday, rain; colder in west portion.

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OIL TRUST CASE TRIAL AT RALEIGH

Closing Argument Yesterday Before Police Justice Alex. Stronach

AFFAIRS AT STATE CAPITAL

Chas. F. Lumsden Dead—Kitchin-Aycock to Oppose Simmons—Governor's Message to Legislature—Farmers's Institute.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 31.—Police Justice Alex Stronach has heard the last of argument of counsel in the case against the Standard Oil Company alleging violation of the North Carolina anti-trust law in cutting prices of oil to drive out competition and announced tonight at the conclusion of the closing speech by J. H. Pou, for the defense, that he will have the case under advisement for a few days before announcing his ruling.

If he finds the Standard guilty he will impose a fine against the "trust" that will, in the language of Attorney General Bickett in his closing argument for conviction, be such a penalty that the Nation will understand that in North Carolina, commercial piracy will not be tolerated; that any man can come here and embark in any business, and none will dare to hurt or hinder or make him afraid and that it is a land where, in commercial, as well as physical life, the weak can grow strong and the strong grow great."

Mr. Bickett in his argument reviewed figures from the testimony to show that the actual cost of oil delivered in Raleigh is 7 3-8 cents, plus freight from Baltimore to Norfolk, and the present price here of 7.25 cents is a Standard "cut-to-kill".

For the defense Mr. Pou characterized the prosecution as for advertising purposes and declared that there is not the least probability of the Standard ever paying one cent of fine in such a case. The suit is in the interest of the Ohio Oil Company (Indian Refining Company) and would, he said punish the Standard for furnishing North Carolinians oil too cheap when it is evident that the price is still too high as compared with Baltimore, Richmond and Norfolk prices.

Charles F. Lumsden died at his home here today after several months illness, aged 56 years. He was past grand master of the Odd Fellows, member of the Board of Directors of the Odd Fellows Orphanage at Goldsboro, a prominent Mason, and a Royal Arcanum organizer. He was city tax collector for a number of terms.

Special dispatches from Washington to the effect that Ex-Governor Aycock and Governor Kitchin are both active candidates for the United States Senate to succeed Senator Simmons two years hence has created considerable comment here. Asked about the matter, Ex-Governor Aycock said today that he is not and will not be a candidate. On the other hand Governor Kitchin made this response to the inquiry: "The Washington story is interesting but I have no statement to make about its subject matter at this time."

The situation seems to narrow down to the conclusion that the Senatorial contest will be between Senator Simmons and Gov. Kitchin, the fight to be between them exclusively in the event there is a primary expression on the Senatorship. Then if the question goes in to the Legislature without primary expression Ex-Governor Aycock might be drawn in for the election through a deadlock between Simmons and Kitchin.

Governor Kitchin is putting in some hard work on his message to the General Assembly and expects to have it practically completed Tuesday or Wednesday at furtherest. It will scarcely be sent to the Senate and House before Thursday. Thursday is the usual day for the message. Wednesday, the first day, is always taken up with the routine of organization. There is no intimation just yet as to any special features of the forthcoming message of the Governor. Those who have been favored with intimations as to its character say that it will be one of the most notable and important documents of the kind that has gone from an executive to the Assembly in the history of the State. It is said that the anti-trust law and needed amendments are to constitute a principal section of the message and that the principal features that he will urge as amendments will be for giving additional force to the law rather than to any multiplication of machinery. The recommendation of the Attorney General that there be provision made for the State to meet the expense of working up cases against violators of the anti-trust law and conducting the most vigorous prosecution will come in, it is said, for hearty endorsement by the Governr.

It is not believed that that message will advocate any very extensive bond issues especially in connection with the permanent improvements for the State institutions and conser-

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ESTRADA ASCENDS THE PRESIDENCY

Becomes Constitutional Ruler of Nicaragua For Term of Two Years

INAUGURATION CEREMONIES

End of Long Controversy With United States—History of Fighting Between Government and Insurgents—Situation.

Managua, Nicaragua, Dec. 31.—General Juan J. Estrada, by the unanimous vote of Congress, today became the constitutional president of Nicaragua for a term of two years.

Adolfo Diaz, former minister of the interior, was elected vice president for the same period.

The inauguration ceremonies took place at 2 o'clock this afternoon in the Hall of Congress to which the public was admitted on the invitation of General Luis Mena, minister of war. In his inaugural address President Estrada lauded the government and the people of the United States.

The inauguration of President Estrada will bring to an end the long controversy between the United States and Nicaragua, it having been announced that if Estrada was elected to the Presidency by a decisive vote, the government of the United States would recognize the Nicaragua government as at present constituted.

General Estrada was head of the revolutionary movement against Joseph Santos Zelaya, who was president of Nicaragua in 1909, and in November of that year, two Americans, Leonard Groce and LeRoy Cannon, who were captured while serving in the revolutionary army, were executed by Zelaya's orders. This brought about action by the American government when on December 1, 1909 Secretary Knox handed his passports to Felipe Rodriguez, Charge d'Affaires at Washington, for Nicaragua, and announced the purpose of the United States to hold to strict accounting for American life and property "the factions de facto in control" and the determination of the American government to take such steps as it might deem wise and proper to protect the American interests.

On December 16th Zelaya resigned the Presidency of Nicaragua.

Dr. Jose E. Madriz, who was at one time the representative of Nicaragua at the Central American court of justice at Cartago and a Zelayan adherent, was elected president of the republic by the unanimous vote of Congress on December, but he was not regarded with favor by the government of the United States.

Many conflicting reports were made public with reference to the progress the movement against the Madriz government, most of which were unfavorable to the insurgents. General Estrada made peace oertures to Madriz, in which he suggested the friendly mediation of the American government, but these Madriz refused to accept.

Fierce fighting between the government troops and the insurgent around Bluefields followed the failure to reach a settlement.

Estrada proclaimed the independence of the coast republic in Nicaragua on June 13th, last, and assumed personal command of the rebel forces a month later. His army met with a series of successes and on August 20, Nicaragua was practically in the hands of the insurgents. Dr. Madriz quit the presidency. Since August 20th, events moved quickly toward a satisfactory adjustment of the relations between the United States and Nicaragua.

Thomas C. Dawson, the minister to Panama, was sent to Managua as the special agent of the United States to study the political and financial situation and on his return recently to Washington he reported that the present government at Nicaragua rested upon a stable political foundation and that the United States might safely resume diplomatic relations with that country.

OUTLINES.

Arch Hoxsey, holder of the world's altitude record, and John B. Moisant, one of the country's most famous aviators, were killed yesterday. Hoxsey met death at Los Angeles and Moisant at New Orleans——The coming of the New Year finds the condition of the United States Treasury far improved over the condition in which the business of 1910 was begun——The leader of the rebels forces in Mexico stated yesterday that the fighting will continue until President Diaz is dethroned. He declared that his forces had made good progress——Senator Joseph F. Johnson, of Alabama, defending the action of sub-committee which investigated the charges against Senator Lorimer made a statement yesterday ——New York markets: Money on call nominal, time loans dull; flour dull; wheat spot irregular, No. 2, red 98 elevator and 98 fob; corn spot irregular No. 2, new 52 1-2 fob afloat; oats spot steady, standard white 28 3-4; turpentine quiet.

Grand Theatre.

Hear Mr. Morgan, the celebrated New York city baritone. **

World's Most Daring Aviators Meet Tragic Death in a Day

DASHED TO EARTH IN TOURNAMENTS

John B. Moisant at New Orleans; Arch Hoxsey at Los Angeles

TREACHEROUS AIR CURRENTS

Both Most Illustrious of Those Who Have Explored the Air—Thousands Horrified at Gruesome Tragedies—Details.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 31.—John B. Moisant and Arch Hoxsey, aviators extraordinary, were killed today. Both fell out of the treacherous air currents with their machines—neither from a vast height—and Moisant's remaining minutes of life were so few as to count as naught. Hoxsey was killed instantly.

Moisant met his death at 9:55 A. M. attempting to alight in a field a few miles from New Orleans, La. Hoxsey, who went into the air early in the afternoon at Los Angeles, lay at 2:15 P. M. a crushed, lifeless mass in view of the thousands who were watching the aviation tournament.

Thus the last day of 1910, in bringing the total number of deaths of aviators to 35, capped the list with two of the most illustrious of those air men who have been writing the history of aviation in the sky for two continents.

Moisant, a Chicagoan by birth, after an adventurous life in Central America, became interested in aviation in France less than a year ago. After soaring into public recognition by his plucky flight from Parish across the English channel to London with a passenger Moisant's fearlessness and resourcefulness was exhibited frequently. Finding himself without a machine, he purchaser one from a friend for $10,000 and within ten minutes starting on his winning flight from Belmont Park, N. Y., around the Statue of Liberty, winning a prize of $10,000.

Today a sudden puff of wind caught him within 500 feet of the earth, turned his machine over and a broken neck terminated his career.

Hoxsey Daring Aviator.

Arch Hoxsey, after a year of uniform success with the Wright aeroplanes, had gained a neme for daring and competence in the air. Only within the week he had set a new world altitude record of 11,474 feet and then to show his contempt for the earth had sailed majestically more than 4,000 feet above the highest mountain in California. Today he ran afoul of the same kind of boiling, treacherous wind when some 500 feet from the earth, and a minute later a horrified crowd, aroused from its shock, was rushing madly to where a broken mass of humanity lay beneath a torn bit of canvas and some broken spars.

Both met death in almost the same manner. Each machine was headed for the earth and suddenly seemed to stop, hover in the air, then "turn over onto its nose" and dive headlong to the earth—and to destruction.

Moisant's aeroplane was a Bleriot monoplane, and in addition to the heavy engine in front of the main planes, he had fastened a tank holding 35 gallons of gasoline. Aviation experts believe a sudden puff of wind stopped his machine dead in the air and the heavy weight ahead dragged the light framework behind it, flipping the then useless rear elevator, from his position partly back of the main planes, Moisant was flipped out clear of the machine and struck the ground on his head, breaking his neck. He died on a flat car on which he was being rushed to New Orleans.

Hoxsey, likewise was returning from a journey into the clouds. He was within 500 feet of the earth and cheers were going up to meet the conquerer of the higher air, when his machine seemed to stop, shudder and whirl over and over to the ground. As in the morning's flight, the rear elevator, rendered useless when the momentum was gone, flipped around, helpless to aid the fatal machine. Hoxsey vainly endeavored to right his craft by warping the main planes and by use of the rudder. Vain attempts, these, for before sufficient momentum was gained the frail structure crumpled upon the earth, the heavy engine being torn loose.

Had Both Been Warned.

Only a few farmers' aids saw Moisant hurl to his death, but Hoxsey's end came before the horrified gaze of thousands who had come out in the pleasant afternoon to watch the birdmen darting here and there through the air. The day's pleasure ended when an announcer, sadly lifting his megaphone, droned out the message: "Arch Hoxsey has been killed. There will be no more flying today."

Mrs. C. M. Hoxsey, of Pasadena, Cal., missed by a mere accident seeing her son meet his death. She had arranged to attend the tournament and to take her first aeroplane ride with her son. Some detail of importance in her household kept her at home, and word of the accident was taken to her by Roy Knabenshue and Thomas Jackson of the Wright Exhibition Company.

Forecasts of the fatal accident were made in both instances. A 15-mile wind with gusts at intervals caused hangar attendants to shake their heads at Moisant, but he laughed at them and sailed up for a try at the long distance sustained flight record and the Michelin cup with its attendant $4,000 prize. Death was the victor in the long contest at his faught with the daring Chicagoan.

When Walter R. Brookins and Hoxsey, who, with Parmalee alone were left of the Wright exhibition teams, wheeled their machines out, warnings were offered by half a score of the flyers, each of whom bore a record for daring in the air.

"It's too full of holes up there today," they all agreed; "it's just like a Swiss cheese; better stay on the ground."

Hoxsey, smiling as on the day when he had gone far up into the blue to a new world's record for height, again took the air. His barograph, still running when the crowds reached the heap of humanity and canvas and broken sticks, showed the fatal drop started when the aviator had come down to within 563 feet of the ground.

Death Toll of Aviation.

With Hoxsey and Moisant today, 27 aviators and their passengers were killed this year in falls for heavier than air machines, against five in the two years previous. And those three years comprise the working history of the sport, for it was in 1908 that Lieut. Thomas E. Selfridge, U. S. A., fell with Orville Wright in the first public trial of an aeroplane at Fort Myer. He was the first passenger and the first man killed in a self-sustained machine. The other American dead, all killed this year, are: Johnstone, Hoxsey and Moisant.

Only a little more than two months ago, at Belmont Park, L. I., Moisant, helped from the splinters of his wrecked monoplane, shook the dust out of his ears and bantered with death. "Hurt?" he laughed, "Why, nothing ever happens to anybody flying."

Moisant dies before his victory in the Statue of Liberty flight can be confirmed by the International Aeronautic Federation, which still has under consideration the protest of Claude Grahame-White, whom Moisant defeated.

Hoxsey and Johnstone, team mates and good comrades on earth, but sworn rivals in the air, have joined the issues now. Each went to his death with a world's record for altitude.

Hoxsey Was the Star.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 31.—Arch Hoxsey had been the star performer at the big meet that began last Saturday. Day after day he took out his machine and exercised. There had not been a day when the intrepid airman had not gone beyond the rank hind fleecy clouds or swinging in ever-widening circles until he crossed the mountains or hung over the sea. His prolonged absence from the field day after day gave rise to the salutation of one friend to another on the grounds: "Has anybody here seen Hoxsey?"

No one felt fear for him, however, as he always came back, returning toward earth in a spectacular and terrifying series of spiral dips and would land directly in front of the grand stand. He was the favorite of the crowds and was always greeted with applause when he came out and with a wave of his hand started on his altitude trials.

On Monday last Hoxsey broke the world's altitude record, ascending to a height of 11,474 feet, almost 1,000 feet greater than the previous record. This feat was his supreme effort and when he returned to field after nearly three hours' absence he was carried before the grand stand on the shoulders of his admirers.

Wild Dashes for Record.

But Hoxsey was not satisfied with this record. Ever since Monday he has ascended daily for another try for altitude. On Tuesday he made 6,800 feet. Wednesday 8,500 feet; Thursday 10,005 feet, when he crossed 4,700 feet above the summit of Mount Wilson some 2o miles from the aviation field; and yesterday 10,575 feet.

The aviator was coming down out of the clouds by a series of dips and spiral glides after an altitude flight. He has ascended shortly after 1 o'clock carrying a barograph for the purpose of breaking his own world's record of 11,474 feet, which he made here last Monday.

His machine had reached a point on the Western reach of the course, about 500 feet from the ground and Hoxsey was gliding and dipping swiftly toward the ground, when the erratic air current struck him, it lifted the biplane a few feet and seemed to turn it entirely over. It fluttered for a moment like a wounded bird, then dropped straight down, turning over and over.

The machine struck and the aviators body lay under the shattered motor, crumpled and broken. The machine in which he had made his world's record flight was a mass of wire and sticks, tangled about him.

Body Badly Mangled.

It was found that Hoxsey's body was terribly mangled; his jaw had been fractured; his gaggles had been shattered and the fragments of glass driven into his eyes and all of the ribs on his right side had been crush-

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REBELS FIGHTING TO DEFEAT DIAZ

Leader of Mexican Insurgents Declare President Will be Dethroned

WILL BATTLE UNTIL THE END

Ganzales Explains Policy of the Rebels—Already Control Part of Country—Will Protect Lives of Foreigners.

Presidio, Mexico, Dec. 28.—Via San Antoio, Texas, Dec. 31 by courier from Mulato to Marfa—Abraham Gonzales, leader of the insurgent forces operating near Ojinaga and Provisional governor of Chiahuahua, today gave an interview to the Associated Press correspondent at Mulato.

This is the first statement made by any of the insurgent leaders in the field. Gonzales talked frankly, telling of the policy of the insurgents and their plans.

"The independents now control the greater part of Chiahuahua he said. "We could capture any of the outlying garrisoned towns at any time, but in turn we would have to establish garrisons in these cities, thus taking many fighting men from the field.

"We do not expect to defeat the Diaz army in a day or a month. We have accomplished all that we set out to do up to date.

"The independents control a section of the railroad; thus holding the garrisons at Juarez, Ojinaga, Pedernales and LaGuna helpless in their barracks. We have checked every effort to send reinforcements north and south several hundred miles of the border. This gives us an opportunity to recruit our armies and train our eager recruits. Every day increases our strength. When we are ready to strike we will strike and Diaz will be shaken from his throne.

"The independents will protect the property and lives of Americans and other foreigners. We come as liberators, not as invaders.

"The independents are not fighting Mexico, they are fighting the Diaz government."

Gonzales talked slowly in halting English, turning now and then to a young officer for aid in translating his words.

"Of our immediate plans, I cannot, of course, speak. We have opened the door for our countrymen, who wish to fight and we are arming and drilling them as fast as they come.

"We want simple justice. We want the right to vote as we believe. The courts, the great instrument of Diaz's tyranny next to the army, must be made courts of law, not tools of oppression.

"The men who have organized this uprising will fight until all are dead. They are confident of victory."

About 200 armed insurgents were counted in Mulato today, but it was said that other detachments had Ojinaga surrounded. Ojinaga has a population of about 1,500 with a garrison of 300 Federal troops strongly intrenched.

Rebels Placed On Trial.

Parral, Mexico, Dec. 30, via El Paso, Texas, Dec. 31—Thirty-eight rebel prisoners, guarded by 60 soldiers, were taken from here to Chihuahua yesterday for trial. Two hundred soldiers sent into the mountains after the rebels sent back five prisoners this week and reported, according to the Jefe Politico, Rodolfo Valles, that the "insurrectos are rushing madly for the State of Sonora with troops in hot pursuit."

Fifty men and three officers are stationed on top of hills commanding this city, but have nothing to do.

After More Soldiers.

Laredo, Texas, Dec. 31.—For some time revolutionary emissaries have been busy near Laredo endeavoring to enlist men both for service as fighters and in order to smuggle arms across the border, and it is rumored that a large quantity of arms and ammunition has been contrabanded into Mexico.

A report was received today from a resident at Zapata, Texas, 65 miles down the Rio Grande, to the effect that an armed body, estimated at about 10 or 15, had crossed the river in that vicinity with horses, carbines and ammunition. A detachment of United States soldiers commanded by Lieut. McMillan, of the 23rd Infantry, left Fort McIntosh this morning for Minera and are reported to have encountered an armed force which they disarmed and dispersed. This band is said to hae been headed by Ponciano Navarro.

Killed in Fighting.

Mexico City, Dec. 31.—Twenty-seven killed, three missing and 28 wounded is the official report of casualties during the fighting at Mal Paso on December 28th, when that trategic point of the revolutionists in the State of Chihuahua was taken by the Federals. Of the dead 13 are Federals and 14 revolutionists. The three unaccounted for were Federals.

Of the regulars 28 were wounded including a lieutenant colonel. The number of revolutionists wounded is

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ANNUAL REVIEW TRADE CONDITIONS

Veteran New York Banker Talks of Commercial Outlook For 1911

IN A MUCH SOBERER MOOD

Conservatism is Watchword in Business World—Sharp Contrast in Now and Year Ago—Agricultural Resources.

New York, Dec. 30.—We are entering 1911 in a much soberer mood than we entered 1910. Then optimism was the prevailing spirit; now conservatism is the rule everywhere, tinged with occasional pessimism. Whatever point of view be taken there is a sharp contrast between conditions now and a year ago, particularly in the East, which as the financial centre of the country is always first to feel reactionary influences and first to take the initiative, either in forward movements or retrenchments. For six months at least contradiction has been the order of the day, and there are no indications yet of this tendency having exhausted itself.

As agriculture is still the country's mainstay, let us first look there in auditing our accounts. The value of our crops in 1910 was given by the Department of Agriculture at $8,926,000,000, the largest total on record, and $300,000,000 more than a year ago. Roughly speaking, the values produced on our farms have nearly doubled during the past decade. Official returns show that if the value of our products in the year 1899 be placed at 100 the returns for 1910 would be 180. According to Secretary Wilson, our farmers have produced $79,000,000,000 of wealth durthe last eleven years. In 1910 the corn crop was valued at about $1,500,000,000, the cotton crop at about $900,000,000, the hay crop at $720,000,000, the wheat crop at $625,000,000 and the oats crop at $380,000,000. In nearly all cases these values are larger than a year ago, although owing to the decline in the price of corn the value of cereals was $230,000,000 below the year ago.

Our foreign commerce for eleven months of the calendar year aggregated $3,062,000,000, against $2,990,000,000 during the same time in 1909; our imports amounting to $1,426,000,000, or $89,000,000 over last year, while our exports were $1,637,000,000, or $81,000,000 more than a year ago.

Railroad earnings on forty-five roads from January 1st to November 30th amounted to $712,000,000 against $644,000,000 last year, an increase of over 11 per cent.

Bank clearings in the United States for the same eleven months were $149,789,000,000, against $149,970,000,000 the year before.

Pig iron production in 1910 was estimated at 27,200,000 tons, compared with 25,780,000 tons a year ago. At present about one-half of capacity is being utilized.

Copper production amounted to 1,407,000,000 pounds a year ago.

Coal production reached a total of nearly 500,000,000 tons, compared with 420,000,000 tons last year.

New capital issues reported for the year aggregating $1,518,000,000, against $1,681,000,000 a year ago.

New corporations of $1,000,000 and over created in the leading States aggregating $1,940,000,000 compared with $1,566,000,000 last year.

Bradstreet's Index figure was 8.87 at end of November, against 9.23 at end of January, the high record point.

At first sight these figures regarded as a whole indicate as large a degree of activity as a year ago. To some extent, however, they are misleading, because reflecting past and not present conditions. It is well known that values have been highly inflated in every direction, and that gains in quantities or volume are not always as large as would appear. A bumper corn crop naturally caused a sharp drop in prices which will offset the gain in yield. There has also been a sharp decline in wheat, resulting from the larger crops in prospect abroad. Cotton has been maintained at a high level because of a crop inadequate to a growing demand. The effect of prices upon our foreign commerce has been decidedly marked. For a long period high prices stimulated imports and checked exports. As prices began to yield in the latter half of the year this tendency changed and our exports began to show a healthier development, although the recent large excess of exports was mainly due to the outward rush of cotton in anticipation of a deadlock over the bill of lading dispute. Should the tendency of agricultural prices continue downwards, as is not improbable, we may hope to see at least a temporary return of our foreign trade to the normal condition of a large excess of exports. As to the gain in railroad earnings referred to above, that was probably more than offset by the large increase in expenses which is justly causing our railroad managers such

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ed. A broken strut, one of the wooden stanchions between the upper and lower planes, had been driven through his body under the lowest rib. One leg was almost doubled below the knee and another was broken in two or three places.

Hoxsey's barograph instruments were absolutely uninjured. They were running as if nothing had happened when the judges took charge of them. The charts showed that Hoxsey fell a distance of 563 feet. He had been up 7,142 feet and had begun the fatal glide while at an altitude of 6,673 feet.

Hubert Latham, the French aviator, who was in the air with an Antoinette, said he was watching Hoxsey when he entered the vortex of the counter current that caused his fall.

"It was the same 'hole in the air' that caused me to alight," said the Frenchman. "From the actions of Hoxsey's machine the conflicting currents were warring 1,700 or 1,800 feet up. When Hoxsey started his last glide one current caught the light end of his planes and lifted the machine up and turned it over.

"At best in these spiral glides, an aviator has but a dangerously narrow margin of air bank to support him. Hoxsey seemed to slip out of the bank entirely and he fell like a brick. In my opinion the fall was due entirely to the treacherous air currents.

"I never saw such bad meteoric conditions in my life as prevailed today. Hoxsey's machine was intact until it struck the ground."

Hoxsey Took Up Teddy.

Hoxsey came into national prominence at St. Louis on October 11 when he took up for a short flight ex-President Theodore Roosevelt, who was then visiting this city.

The flight was not premeditated. Mr. Roosevelt had gone to the Aviation Field as a spectator and was examining the machine when Hoxsey suggested that he take a flight. Colonel Roosevelt instantly threw off his silk hat and frock coat, donned a leather jacket and a cap and climbed aboard the machine. Hoxsey clamored after him and after two trials the motor was started and the aeroplane shot into the air. It sped quickly around the field at about the height of 100 feet and made the first lap of one and one half miles before the crowd knew that Colonel Roosevelt was in the machine. It sauntered around the field the second time, going at the rate of about one mile a minute and then Hoxsey dipped his planes and the aeroplane came easily to the earth.

ANOTHER VICTIM OF TREACHEROUS AIR.

Moisant's Fatal Flight.

New Orleans, December 31. — Leaving the City Park Aviation Field at 9:30 o'clock this morning in anticipation of adding to his country's glory by bringing the Michelin cup to America, John P. Moinsant, one of the world's most daring and skillful aviators, flew over New Orleans to meet death riding the wings of the wind near Harahan, eleven miles above the city, 20 minutes after.

Tonight, at the hour when he was to have been presented with a handsome loving cup bearing the legend "John P. Moisant, the glory of Central America," contributed by the Central American colony in New Orleans the plucky aviator lies in the morgue a martyr to the science of aviation and to his country's fame.

Alfred J. Moisant, president of the International Aviators, bade his brother a cheery farewell, just before he ascended at the City Park. Accompanied by press representatives and mechanicians in an automobile, which followed the flight of his brother to the place up the river where the cup trial was to take place, only to be met by the stunning news that John P. Moisant was dead.

New Orleans, Dec. 31.—John B. Moisant had just completed a preliminary trial prior to making his attempt for the Michelin distance cup of 1810 competition for which closed today. He was about to land at the spot agreed on for the start of the big event. The wind was at his back at the time and although it is usual for aviators to land against the wind, and considered much safer to do so, Moisant had often landed with the wind at his back.

Moisant had made two laps of the course in his preliminary trial and approached the land space for the third time at an altitude of about 200 feet. He appeared to delay coming down until within two or three hundred feet of the designated spot and then made a very sharp dip. When about 50 feet from the ground he stopped his motor.

He was in Rene Barrier's 40-horse power Bleriot monoplane, a machine which he had used but two or three times. At the front of the machine, almost directly beneath the engine, was strapped a 35-gallon brass gasoline tank built especially for the Michelin cup trial.

Moisant ascended at the City Park Aviation Field at 9:35 A. M. and flew across to the special four mile course selected for the Michelin contest. He appeared to have perfect control of the machine.

Guided by the white flags which lined the course, he rounded the circle twice in an effort to find a landing place. The third time around the wind, which was blowing about 15 miles an hour across the course, drove the machine toward the earth. Moisant, in trying to get back over the grounds, swerved suddenly to the left, then attempted his famous right circle so dangerous that it is said but one other man beside Moisant ever attempted it. At this instant the wind caught the planes of the machine, while, according to other aviators, a downward draught must have caught the propellers and front planes. The machine dipped, pointed its nose directly at the ground and come down like a flash, while Moisant was seen to be hurled from the machine head first to the earth. His neck was broken by the fall. Otherwise there was not a bruise on his body.

Lived for Short Time.

The moment Moisant struck the earth, falling in high weeds to the right of the field, some workmen, who happened to be near, picked him up, while the newspaper men and others rushed to him. A special train of flat cars was standing near the scene of the accident and the body was hurriedly placed aboard and brought to the city.

The expresion on Moisant's face was that of a sleeping man, not the slightest trace of fear or pain being apparent. Although still breathing when placed on the flat car, death ensued before the train reached the city.

The New Orleans meet was abrutly terminated by today's accident and the machines are being packed for shipment. The meets scheduled to be held by the International Aviators at Dallas, Fort Worth, Galveston, Havana, Cuba and other points will not be interfered with.

John B. Moisant was 37 years of age. He was a widower and is survived by a son, Stanlie, aged 15, a student at the San Rafael Military Academy in California.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10 o'clock tomorrow and his body will be placed in a vault here. Although the dead aviator was not a member of any church, the fueral will be conducted under Catholic rites.

Hoxsey's Early Life.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 31.—Arch Hoxsey, who was killed in California today, was born in Staunton, Ill., October 15, 1884. When he was a child his parents went to Los Angeles, Cal., where they have resided since. At the age of 16 years Hoxsey began studying the mechanism of automobiles and until he was 20-years-old, was employed in the automobile trade.

He then traveled for a year in Asia and was with John W. Gates, of New York, touring Europe.

He aspired to be an aviator from the time the first experiments were made and through the recommendation of Captain Baldwin, who witnessed an ascent in gas balloon of the youth when but 18-years-old he was given an opportunity by the Wrights.

He Read Moisant's Death.

Los Angeles, Dec. 31.—Hoxsey was in his hangar a short time before making his last ascent, reading an account of the death of Moisant. After carefully noting the conditions under which Moisant had been flying, he said: "He must have become weary from too much driving."

Remember Him as in Life.

Pasadena, Cal., Dec. 31.—The remains of Arch Hoxsey, the aviator killed at Las Angeles aviation meet today, was brought here tonight in charge of Roy Knabenshue and Thos. P. Jackson, of the Wright Company. The funeral will be in charge of the Pasadena Lodge of Elks and burial will be here. Hoxsey was a member of the Detroit lodge of Elks.

"I do not want the remains brought to the house, because I want to remember my boy as I saw him this morning," his mother said tonight.

A SLY FOX TRAPPED.

Alleged Check-Forger Brought Back to Charlotte.

Charlotte, N. C., December 23.—L. M. Hunter, charged with having uttered forged checks on several Charlotte banks, was brought here today from Havre de Grace, Md., and turned over to the Federal authorities. Hunter came here several weeks ago and posed as a manufacturer investigating a site for a big plant. He instantly won the confidence of local capitalists and lived high for a week. After giving the checks, he disappeared, and was traced to Washington, where, it is said, he was working a similar game. Secret service men pursued him to Havre de Grace, where the arrest was made. Several Charlotte bankers appeare against him at the preliminary hearing this afternoon.

Grand Theatre.

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LORIMER MATTER AGAIN.

Senator Johnson Defends Senate Committee.

Mobile, Ala., December 31. — Defending the action of the sub-committee that investigated the bribery charges against Senator Lorimer, of Illinois, Senator Joseph F. Johnston, of Alabama, who is recuperating from a slight illness, today gave out the following statement:

"The sub-committee appointed to hear the evidence in the case was composed of Republican and Democratic Senators. Had any of the members been inclined to be influenced by political bias, the conditions did not warrant any such action, for the Legislature outgoing and incoming was safely Republican, insuring that party a Senator whatever action might be had.

"But two questions were to be investigated.

"First, whether Senator Lorimer had engaged in bribery or any corrupt practices to secure his election, or knew, or sanctioned any such acts. If so, the sub-committee was unanimous in agreeing that he should be unseated.

"All the members of the committee were unanimous in their conclusion that testimony failed to show the fact that Senator Lorimer was himself guilty of bribery or any corrupt practices or that he sanctioned or was cognizant of the fact that bribery or any corrupt practices were being used by others to influence votes for him.

"The only other question was whether the evidence showed that enough votes of the members of the Legislature voting for Senator Lorimer were bribed, or influenced, by corrupt practices or promises so that deducting such votes from the total cast for him his vote would fall below that required by the constitution to elect.

"Upon this point, all of the subcommittee men were of the opinion that the evidence failed to show that he was elected, except one, Senator Frazier, whose conclusion was that four members of the Legislature were paid money for voting for Senator Lorimer, in consequence of having voted for him; that one State senator and three representatives admitted under oath that they were paid money and th Senator was satisfied that such payments were as a bribe. Or, in consequence of having voted for Senator Lorimer, that these four self-confessed bribe-takers implicate three others who bribed them; that is, these seven votes were eliminated from Lorimer's vote he received less than a majority of the votes cast.

"We think the Senator erred in his conclusion if we accept his finding of facts.

"We are unable to find any testimony whatever even tending to show that Breckmeyer, Link and Holstlaw would have voted for Lorimer. The Senator also decides that the Broderick vote should be counted for Stringer or Hokins, who, Broderick not only denied under oath that he had bribed Holtslaw, or had paid him any money —but that he, himself, was anxious to vote for Lorimer for personal reasons.

"Even is these seven men, including White, should be excluded from the count, Lorimer was elected, for that would have left him 101 against a total of 94 for Stringer and Hopkins.

"The report of the sub-committee was submitted to its full committee and every member of the full committee agreed to its finding (six Republicans and four Democrats) except Senators Frazier and Beveridge, the latter stating that he was not prepared to either assent or dissent, not having had time to examine the evidence.

SEWANEE AND HARVARD.

Post-Season Football Game Between Great Universities Yesterday.

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 31.—Silas Williams, captain of the Sewanee football eleven of 1910, made the only score of today's post-season game, winning a hard fought contest for the Harvard law students over a selected "All Southern" team. The score came in the third quarter when Williams corraled a perfectly executed forward pass from Gallati, Harvard's quarter and ran uninterrupted for 25 yards to a touchdown. No goal was executed. The score: Harvard 5, All Southern 0.

The game was played on a soggy field and neither team gained much by line plunging. For Harvard Pfeiffer shared honors with Williams, while of the Southerners Kennebaw, Carter, Barker and Lee of the University of Mississippi and Marre, formerly of Notre Dame, starred.

The Harvard players left tonight for New Orleans where they play Monday. A game in Baton Rouge will end their Southern tour.

DIX TAKES OATH OF OFFICE.

New York Governor-Elect Will be Inaugurated Tomorrow.

Albany, N. Y., December 31. —Surrounded only by his intimate relatives John Alden Dix took the constitutional oath of office as governor of the State at his beautiful Albany home tonight. At midnight the reins of government of New York State passed into the hands of a new administration with a Democratic governor at its head for the first time in eighteen years.

As January 1st falls on Sunday, it was necessary for the governor-elect to take the oath tonigat. The formal public inaugural ceremonies will take place in the Assembly chamber at noon next Monday.

KILLED BY TRAIN.

Andrew Weatherly Stepped in Front of Locomotive Passing.

Greensbora, N. C., December 31. — Andrew Weatherly, a well known Greensboro citizen, was run over and instantly killed by an incoming train from Madison, in the western part of the city, this morning. His body was mangled so as to be almost unrecognizable.

Passengers on the train say that the deceased was standing at the side of the track and apparently jumped in front of the train. He was seen near the track at the same place yesterday, and suicide is suspected. It was at first thought to be the body of another Greensboro man, but this man was found to be at home.

VOTERS PLEAD FOR MERCY.

Guilty of Selling Their Votes—1,258 Indicted.

West Union Ohio, December 31.—The departing year was marked in this county seat by a grand jury report which indicted at the present term 1,258 vote-barterers.

Today, as for nearly two weeks past, there was a steady stream of marchers to the "Mercy seat" over which Judge Blair presided, and there were confessions in person and by proxy. An aged woman approached Judge Blair. She had walked over many miles of Adams county in an effort to raise the money to pay fines which had been assessed against her aged husband and invalid son, both of whom had been charged with selling their votes.

She had been successful in raising only a part of the money and had walked from her home for miles distant to enter a plea of guilty for each and with the payments of her mite to ask a remission of any other punishment. Judge Blair suspended the fines in the cases of both, but disfranchised them for five years.

RAILROADS NOT JUSTIFIED.

In Demands for Increased Freight Rates is Opinion.

Washington, Dec. 31.—The railroads in official classification territory are scarcely justified in their demands for increased freight rates, in the opinion of Frank Lyon, attorney for the Inter-State Commerce Commission. This he indicated in a brief filed with the commission today in the case now under investigation by the commission. It relates to the proposed advances in class freight rates in Eastern territory.

Attorney Lyon discusses the subject largely from a statistical view point. He presents tables showing the relative cost of materials during the last year and during several of the years during the last decade. According to the tables the prices of approximately one-third of the materials had advanced, while the remainder either had decreased in price or had remained stationary. He admits, however, that wages have increased about 30 per cent during the last ten years and that fuel has advanced somewhat.

KNOX GIVES OUT REPORT.

Regarding the International Railway Commission.

Washington, Dec. 31.—By authorization of Secretary Knox, of the Department of State, the joint report of Judge Martin A. Knapp, chairman of the Interstate Commerce Commission and Judge J. B. Mabie, chief of the Railway Commission of Canada, on the proposed creation by treaty of the International Railway Commision, today was made public. The intended effect to be accomplished by the treaty is to subject international carriers, including railroads, telegraph, telephone and express companies, within the limits outlined, to obligations and requirements corresponding to those now imposed upon the interstate carriers of this country.

Biddeford, Me., December 31. — George B. Perkins, one of the men who witnessed the assassination of President Lincoln, at Ford's Theatre in Washington, died at his home in this city, today. Mr. Perkins was born in Georgia 60 years ago, and had lived in Biddeford for twenty years.

REBELS FIGHTING TO DEFEAT DIAZ

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unknown, as they were carried away by their comrades.

The official report of General Navarro says: "Yesterday with the object of repairing the telegraph wire from this camp as far as Mal Paso Canon, I ordered a force to proceed under command of Col. Manuel Gordillo Escudero. The force sent out at 7:45 A. M.

"At the village of Cienega the rebels, located on a hill about two or three hundred meters from the village, suddenly opened fire on the advance guard from behind rocks and trees.

"The enemy was dislodged after a stubborn resistance and was forced to retreat to the mountains. This gave us possession of Malpaso. Government officials said tonight that there was absolutely no truth in the report from El Paso to the effect that the Federal troops lost 600 killed in an engagement at Casa Colorado.

TWO SPONSORS NAMED.

Perplexing Situation Regarding Christening of Battleship.

Washington, Dec. 31.—Officials of the Navy Department are nonplused by the announcement from Little Rock that Governor Donaghey, of Arkansas, has designated Miss Marion Clark, daughter of Senator James R. Clarke, to christen the battleship Arkansas. The department already has named Miss Mary L. Macon, daughter of Representative R. P. Bacon, of Arkansas, for the honor. This action was taken it is said, after the receipt of a telegram from Governor Donaghey declining to appoint a sponsor because of lack of time to make the necessary arrangements.

To meet the situation and in order that Arkansas might not be deprived of the honor of christening her namesake in the navy by a daughter of the State, Secretary Meyer took up the matter with Representative Macon, who was in Washington at the time, and ascertained that the Congressman's daughter would be willing to act as sponsor. Accordingly the Secretary advised the president of the New York Shipbuilding Company, the builders of the Arkansas that Miss Macon would be the sponsor. There the matter rests as no further word has yet been received from Governor Donaghey.

Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 31.—U. S. Senator James P. Clarke notified Governor Donaghey tonight that his daughter, Miss Marion Clarke, would not accept the governor's appointment to act as sponsor for the battleship Arkansas.

The withdrawal of Miss Clarke will relieve a further embarrassing situation occasioned by the appointment of two sponsors for the vessel. Miss Mary Macon, daughter of Representative Macon of Arkansas, was selecttative Macon, of Arkansas, was select Washington without the knowledge that Governor Donaghey had named Miss Clarke, will give the battleship its name.

Berlin, Dec. 31.—The municipality of Berlin has appropriated $89,000 for the construction of an abattoir, where horses intended for human consumption, will be killed. About 12,000 horses are now annually used for food.

Silence!

The instinct of modesty natural to every woman is often a great hindrance to the cure of womanly diseases. Women shrink from the personal questions of the local physician which seem indelicate. The thought of examination is abhorrent to them, and so they endure in silence a condition of disease which surely progresses from bad to worse.

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THE TRANSCONTINENTAL.

Col. Jones Becoming Active Again—News From Whiteville.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Whiteville, N. C., Dec. 31.—Mr. T. L. Gantt, editor of the News-Reporter, has received a letter from Col. S. A. Jones, of Waynesville, N. C., stating that construction work on the Transcontinental Railway has actually started, and shortly after New Year he intends to invite the editors of the different papers along his line, as also the State officers, to be his guests and see the grading of the great railway system under way. Those familiar with the situation have never doubted the ultimate completion of this road, for it will be a commercial necessity when the Panama Canal is finished, and the $10,000 per mile subscribed by the State of North Carolina in convict labor will grade and cross-tie the road to the foot of the mountains and get it ready for the iron and rolling stock. With millions of idle money, investors will equip and iron it. This road will be a paying investment from the day the first train passes over its line.

Mr. John Maultsby, of Campville, Fla., stated to your correspondent this week that Col. Jones had done a great work in his State, and the people saw him leave with regret; that he is undeniably one of the most successful developers in the South.

Great interest is taken in the Good Roads meeting to be held in Whiteville on January 3rd, and every township in the county will have representatives there. It is proposed to give the entire county the privilege of voting on a good roads bond issue and then if they are defeated to let the townships through which the Wilmington-toCharlotte highway will pass vote separately on the bonds. It is believed that the county will vote bonds to build good roads in every section, as by that means those townships without railways can receive their portion of the corporation tax.

Last night Col. J. W. Williamson gave a delightful entertainment at his hospitable and beautiful home on Madison avenue, and to which he invited every young person in Whiteville. It was one of the most enjoyable affairs ever held in our little city, for Mr. and Mrs. Williamson are noted for their hospitality.

Mayor Davis was seen this morning by the Star's correspondent and he says that all arrangements have been made to begin work of improving our streets shortly after the holidays; that the Beech Island cement gravel will be used, and after a careful and thorough investigation he is convinced it is the best and cheapest paving material for the money any town can use. He will first grade and improve Madison avenue, then beautify the court house square and make of it a lovely little park, and thinks they will have enough money left from the bond issue to work every street in Whiteville. Our town has a vigilant and faithful set of officers, and they are looking after the interest and welfare of Whiteville with the same watchful care as their own personal affairs.

SHOOTING AT LAURINBURG.

Mr. Lonnie Hammond Seriously Wounds Restaurant Keeper.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Laurinburg, N. C., Dec. 31.—A most unfortunate shooting affair occurred here last night in the "Busy Bee" in which Peter Tsumas was the victim.

Mr. Lonnie Hammond, a member of the firm of The Covington-Hammond Co., wholesale grocers, had recently sold some oysters to the "Busy Bee" and there had arisen some dispute as to the settlement. It was while the parties were endeavoring to settle the matter that the dispute arose which led to the shooting immediately after the bill had been paid. It seems that as Mr. Hammond was about to leave the cafe, Tsumas assaulted him with a stick which was the beginning of the real difficulty. There are contradictions as to the succeeding occurrences. Mr. Hammond contends that he fired to shoot in defense of himself as the proprietor was about to fire upon him. Mr. Hammond surrendered to the chief of police and was placed under a bond of $5,000 by Recorder W. P. Benton for his appearance this morning. The matter came up for hearing this morning but was continued because of the condition of the wounded man who is in the James Sanitarium. The bullet entered the left side shattering one rib and lodging against the spinal column.

A portion of the body is slightly paralized. The bullet has not yet been removed. His general condition at this writing is reported to be uncertain.

KNAPP TAKES THE OATH.

As Member of the New Commerce Court—Severs Connection.

Washington, Dec. 31.—Chairman Martin A. Knapp, of the Interstate Commerce Commission, today took the oath of office as additional circuit judge of the United States, thus becoming automatically a member of the new Commerce Court and severing his connection of more than 20 years with the Interstate Commerce Commission. The obligation was administered to Judge Knapp by Edward A. Moseley, secretary of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

CARNEGIE AGAIN DONOR.

Gives Million and a Quarter for Life Savers' Fund.

Berlin, Dec. 31.—Announcement was made today that Andrew Carnegie had given $1,250,000 for a "Carnegie Foundation for Life Savers," in Germany. The conditions and purposes of the endowment are similar to those of the "Hero Funds" previously established by the American financier and philanthropist in the United States, England and France.

Turin, Italy, Dec. 31—A severe Winter with heavy snows is causing many disasters especially in the province of Cuneo, where railway communication has been interrupted. Many avalanches are reported and it is feared that there have been numerous fatalities. Throughout Cuneo the law-coverts have suspended their sessions as travel is impossible.

FINANCES FOR NEW YEAR.

Condition of the United State Treasury Now Far Better.

Washington, Dec. 31.—The coming of a New Year finds the finances of the United States Treasury far improved over the condition in which the business of 1910 was begun, having spent some $26,000,000 more than it had taken in. That sum took no account of the extraordinary expenditures for the Panama Canal.

The beginning of 1911 finds that deficit reduced to $6,000,000 and the total deficit including Panama expenditures, reduced to almost $26,000,000 on all accounts—practically half of what it was a year ago.

The year closes with about $86,000,000 in the general fund and a working balance of $34,000,000 in the treasury offices, both considerably lower than a year ago. This is considered by Treasury officials a remarkable showing in the face that the fact that more than $130,000,000 has been advanced out of ordinary funds for the canal construction. The showing seems to sustain Secretary MacVeigh's declaration that the treasury would be able to keep and even keel until Congress passed legislation to allow an issue of securities upon the plans which Mr. MacVeagh has laid down.

Such a plan as Mr. MacVeagh and Senator Aldrich have so far worked out, contemplated the issue of $50,000,000 or $100,000,000 of Panama bonds, not to be available for National bank circulation and at a rate of high interest, high enough to make them attractive to investors. Such a plan promises to develop into legislation when Congress settles down to work.

ADVISED AGAINST TRUST.

Promoters of Scrap Iron Combine Give Up Project.

Washington, December 31.—"A scrap iron trust," being formed to control the supply and fix the prices of 65 to 75 per cent. of the raw materials by the independent steel and iron mills of this country, has been nipped in the bud by the Department of Justice.

Several months ago, the trust investigators learned that the independent manufacturers headed by the Bethlehem Steel Company and some of the other large operators, were forming such an agency. The steel men it is said, made no secret of it and declared they thought they were doing no wrong. They were officially advised that such a selling would be considered a violation of the Sherman anti-trust law and would be prosecuted as such. The steel men then announced they were willing to abandon the project and to the best information of the department they have done so.

HOWE-COTHRAN MARRIAGE.

Wedding of Interest at Princeton—Will Live at Raleigh.

Princeton, N. J., Dec. 31.—Miss Annie Wilson Howe, niece of Governor-elect Woodrow Wilson, was married in the First Presbyterian church here at 6 o'clock this evening to Perin Chiles Cothran, of Greenwood, S. C., Governor-elect Wilson gave his niece in marriage. The ceremony was performed at 6 o'clock by the Rev. Dr. Benjamin J. Warfield, of the faculty of the Princeton Theological Seminary. Miss Eleanor Wilson, Dr. Wilson's daughter, was maid of honor, and Wade Harrison, of South Carolina, was best man. Mr. Cothran has been living at Dr. Wilson's house since July and was well known in Princeton social circles. The couple will live at Raleigh.

EXPLOSION WAS FATAL.

One Killed and Eighteen Injured in New York.

New York, Dec. 31.—One man was killed, another fatally injured and 18 were less seriously hurt by an explosion of dynamite in a tunnel 100 feet below the surface of the East river early today. The accident occurred just after the midnight force of "ground hogs" had begun work in the tube which is to carry gas mains from Brooklyn to Manhattan.

Several blasts had been set off during the night and apparently one had hung fire until the new force went to work. The pit was a mass of wreckage, but the exit was not blocked and 14 men were immediately brought to the surface in buckets, leaving six unconscious and dangerously hurt.

Cananea, Mexico, Dec. 30, via El Paso, Texas, Dec. 1.—Confirmation is received of the battle east of here between 24 insurgents and a force of volunteers headed by the prefect of Moctezuma, this State. The rebels, according to the official report, left one dead, ten prisoners, 17 rifles, 13 pack mules and a large supply of ammunition, which they apparently were taking to Chihuahua to the rebel army.

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EIGHT MINERS KILLED.

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Axminster Rugs, 36x72 each $3.15
Brussell Rugs, 9x12 each $13.50
Seamless Brussell Rugs, 9x12, each $16.50
Velvet Rugs, 9x12, each..$18.50
Seamless Velvet Rugs, 9x12, each $19.50
White Bed Spreads, good size, good quality, each.....$1.10
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Chiffonieres from $6.50 to $50.00
Buffets and Side Boards, from $10.50 to $50.00
Iron Beds, from $2.30 to $25.00
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ATLANTIC COAST LINE

These time tables are corrected to Nov. 28, 1910, but their correctness nor the arrivals and departures are not guaranteed, the figures being given as the best available information as to schedules of this company and its connections.

42	48	*Daily.		49	41
*7 00pm	*8 40am	Lv.	WILMINGTON	Ar.	6 15pm	9 45am
10 05pm	11 37am	Ar.	Goldsboro	Lv.	2 59pm	6 40am
11 00pm	12 30pm	Ar.	Wilson	Lv.	1 52pm	5 40am
11 45pm	1 18pm	Ar.	Rocky Mount	Lv.	12 58pm	5 05am
2 15am	4 55pm	Ar.	Weldon	Lv.	11 30am	3 25am
4 00am	7 05pm	Ar.	Petersburg	Lv.	9 13am	1 40am
4 40am	8 00pm	Ar.	Richmond	Lv.	8 15am	1 00am
8 00am	11 50pm	Ar.	Washington	Lv.	4 20am	9 40pm
9 16am	1 15am	Ar.	Baltimore	Lv.	2 50am	8 20pm
11 38am	3 40am	Ar.	West Philadelphia	Lv.	12 10am	5 44pm
1 31pm	5 40am	Ar.	Manhattan Tr. (a)	Lv.	9 50pm	3 58pm
1 50pm	b5 50am	Ar.	NEW YORK. (7th Ave. & 32nd St.)	Lv.	*9 30pm	*3 38pm

(a)—Connections made at Manhattan Transfer with trains to and from Jersey City and thence with Desbrosses or Cortlandt street ferries and with Hudson River Terminal tubes to and from lower New York City.

b—Sleeper may be occupied until 7:30 A. M.

48 and 49—Pullman parlor cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains with Pullman service.

42 and 41—Pullman Broiler buffet sleeping cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains with Pullman service.

42	48	*Daily.		49	41
*7 00am	*8 40am	Lv.	WILMINGTON	Ar.	6 15pm	9 45am
11 45pm	1 18pm	Ar.	Rocky Mount	Lv.	12 58pm	5 05am
3 30am	1 20pm	Lv.	Rocky Mount	Ar.	12 55pm	10 35pm
4 13am	2 05pm	Ar.	Tarboro	Lv.	12 18pm	9 58pm
8 00am	5 55pm	Ar.	NORFOLK	Lv.	*8 15am	*620pm

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55	51	*Daily.		50	54
*3 15pm	*5 45am	Lv.	WILMINGTON	Ar.	11 40pm	1 40pm
7 25pm	9 30am	Ar.	Florence	Lv.	8 00pm	9 30am
2 25am	3 25pm	Ar.	Charleston	Lv.	4 37pm	5 25am
2 25am	3 30pm	Ar.	Savannah	Lv.	12 05pm	12 25am
11 55am	2 20am	Ar.	Albany	Lv.	1 25am	1 55pm
9 40am	1 45am	Ar.	Thomasville	Lv.	2 05am	2 05pm
5 50pm	8 50am	Ar.	Montgomery	Lv.	6 50pm	6 05am
7 15am	8 00pm	Ar.	JACKSONVILLE	Lv.	7 30am	7 55pm
2 05pm	2 10am	Ar.	Sanford, Fla.	Lv.	1 35am	2 55pm
7 00pm	7 00am	Ar.	TAMPA	Lv.	9 00pm	10 30am
8 35pm	8 00am	Ar.	ST. PETERSBURG	Lv.	8 15pm	6 45am
10 20pm	1 05pm	Ar.	FORT MYERS	Lv.	*8 00pm	*6 45am

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55	51	*Daily.		32-56	54
*3:1pm	*5 45am	Lv.	WILMINGTON	Ar.	11 40pm	1 40pm
7 25pm	9 30am	Ar.	Florence	Lv.	8 00pm	9 30am
9 20pm	11 15am	Ar.	Sumter	Lv.	5 55pm	7 40am
11 10pm	12 50pm	Ar.	COLUMBIA	Lv.	4 10pm	6 00am
9 25am		Ar.	AUGUSTA	Lv.	2 30pm	

11:50pm	1 10pm	Lv	COLUMBIA, Sou. Ry.	Ar	2 30pm	4 40am
5 30am	7 40pm	Ar.	Saluda...Sou. Ry.	Lv.	8 45am	10 25pm
6 00am	8 15pm	Ar.	Hendersonville..Sou.	Lv.	8 05am	9 50pm
7 00am	9 15pm	Ar.	ASHEVILLE Sou. Ry.	Lv.	7 00am	8 50pm
7 20pm		Ar.	Knoxville...Sou. Ry.	Lv.	*1 35am	7 40am
8 40am		Ar.	Louisville...Sou. Ry.	Lv.		8 00am
8 00am		Ar.	CINCINNATI Q. & C.	Lv.		*8 10pm

51—SLEEPING CAR Wilmington to Columbia.

55—SLEEPING CARS, Wilmington to Columbia, Columbia to Asheville and Asheville to Louisville and Cincinnati.

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50—SLEEPING CAR Columbia to Wilmington.

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Sleeping car leaving Wilmington 5:45 A. M. will be open to receive passengers at 10:00 P. M.

57	51	55	*Dly.	!Dly. Ex. Sun.	xSun only.	54	50	58
7 30pm	*5 45am	*3 15pm	Lv.	WILMINGTON.	Ar.	1 40pm	11 40pm	8 30am
9 15pm	7 28am	5 09pm	Ar.	CHADBOURN	Lv.	*11 40am	*9 56pm	6 25am
10 10pm	11 50am	x5 15pm	Lv.	CHADBOURN.	Ar.	7 10am	5 00pm	6 15am
11 45pm.	1 30pm	6 45pm	Ar.	CONWAY	Lv.	x5 40am	3 30pm	4 30am

61	53	*Daily.		!Daily ex. Sun	60	52
6 30pm	*8 45am	Lv.	WILMINGTON.	Ar.	10 15am	8 05pm
9 45pm	11 45am	Ar.	Fayetteville	Lv.	7 10am	4 50pm
9 45pm	12 10pm	Lv.	Fayetteville	Ar.	6 30am	4 45pm
11 10pm	1 40pm	Ar.	SANFORD.	Lv.	5 05am	*3 30pm

62	64	*Daily.	!Daily Except Sunday.	63	65
*3 25pm	5 50am	Lv.	WILMINGTON.	Ar.	12 50pm	6 50pm
5 22pm	7 42am	Ar.	Jacksonville, N. C.	Lv.	10 55am	4 55pm
6 44pm	9 10am	Ar.	Nor. & Sou. Junction	Lv.	9 35am	3 35pm
6 50pm	9 15am	Ar.	NEWBERN, N. C.	Lv.	*9 30am	3 30pm

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NO. 48—12:30 P. M.—From Charlotte.

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No. 39 connects at Hamlet with No. 41 for Atlanta, Birmingham and Memphis. No. 66 for Washington and New York and No. 63 for Portsmouth, Norfolk and No. 43 for Columbia, Savannah and Jacksonville.

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TO THE BEACH

WEEK DAYS.

Leave Front and Princess:	Leave Lumina:
6:50 A. M.	7:35 A. M.
8:30	9:15
10:00	10:45
11:30	12:15
1:00 P. M.	1:45 P. M.
3:00	3:45
4:30	5:15
7:10	7:50
8:30	9:15

SUNDAYS.

8:30 A. M.	9:15 A. M.
9:30	10:15
10:00	10:45
11:30	12:15 P. M.
1:00 P. M.	1:45
2:00 and every half hour until	2:45 and every half hour until
5:30	6:15 P. M.
7:10	7:50
8:30	9:15

WRIGHTSVILLE.

Leave Wilmington for Wrightsville:

Week Days 6:50 8:00 8:30 10:00 11:30 A. M.; 1:00, 3:00, 4:30, 5:30, 6:10, 7:10, 8:30, 10:00, 11:00 P. M.

Sundays. 8:30, 9:30, 10:00 11:30 A. M.; 1:00, 2:00, 230, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30, 6:10, 7:10, 8:30, 10:00 and 11:00 P. M.

Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington:

Week Days 6:20 7:30 7:55 8:25 9:28 10:55 A. M.; 12:25, 1:55, 3:55, 5:25, 6:00, 6:25, 8:00, 9:25, 10:30, 11:30 P. M.

Sundays. 9:20, 10:25, 10:55, A. M.; 12:25, 1:55, 2:55, 3:25, 3:55, 4:25, 4:55, 5:25, 5:55, 6:25, 8:00, 9:25, 10:30, 11:30 P. M.

GOLF LINKS.

Leave Wilmington for Golf Links:

Week Days: 6:50, 8:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 1:00, 3:00, 4:30, 5:30, 6:10, 7:10, 8:30, 10:00, 11:00.

Leave Golf Links for Wilmington:

Week days: 6:35, 7:45 8:15 8:45 9:45 11:15, 12:45, 2:15, 4:15, 5:15, 6:55, 8:15, 9:45, 10:50, 11:40.

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Ar. Petersburg	10:50 a m	10:40 a m
Lv. Durham	7:00 a m	5:39 p m
Lv. Lynchburg	2:35 p m	2:30 a m
r. Cincinnati	7:30 a m	6:25 p m
r. Columbus	6:45 a m	7:05 p m
Ar. Chicago	5:00 p m	7:30 a m
r. St. Louis	6:35 p m	8:30 a m

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Sunday, January 1, 1911.

Resolved, That all of us carry out our New Year's resolutions.

Doubtless many a kid will start the new year with a broken Christmas toy and a little later many a dad will follow suit with broken new year's resolutions.

John G. Robin, head of the wrecked Northern Bank of New York, has been arrested and he sets up as his defense that if he has been guilty of any wrong it is the result of "monetary insanity." The plain truth is that he had simply been Robin the bank.

Surgical science is boasting that with the close of the old year, surgeons have successfully removed a man's lung in order to prolong his life. This holds out the hope that surgeons will be able to perform operations on some of this country's windy politicians.

The whole truth in a nutshell is that Colonel Roosevelt finally slided off the fence and dodged behind New Nationalism, which he misconceived would be mistaken for a rendezvous for Insurgents and an asylum for Standpatters. "The best laid schemes o' men and mice aft gang aglee."

Less mendacity for the new year! If you discover the North Pole or find a mare's nest break the news to us without making dupes of us by picturseque prevarications. If you you do come at us with fanciful fabrications, don't emulate Doctor Cook but gently break it off in us like the late Eli Perkins.

It doesn't follow necessarily that because a man "shows his teeth" he is ready to snap your head off. A Northern contemporary notes that a man showed his teeth in court and got a verdict for $50 because they flew out of his mouth every time he sneezed. They were false, and he sued his dentist on account of a misfit.

Inasmuch as this is New Year's day, it is well to remember this injunction of the Chicago Record-Herald: "Be kind! Be generous! Tell some woman she grows younger every day." It is taken for granted that delicate compliments meant for good cheer do not border on mendacity, but are merely pardonable prevarications.

In some cities the telephone girls have been required to give bond of $500 not to marry within a specified period. It is said the soft tones of a girl's voice at the central station is so captivating that it leads to proposals of marriage. "but," inquires the New York World, "is a bond of $500 large enough to guarantee that a telephone girl won't marry?" We have no doubt many a fellow would pay the bond under a guarantee that the soft voice is a part of the life-time bargain.

The Baltimore Evening Sun announces that Baltimore's Christmas gift was $5,000 in cash, contributed by Mr. Charles H. Dicky towards a fund of $500,000 for the purpose of increasing the industrial and commercial importance of Baltimore. Wilmington did not receive any Christmas gift but she will assume an attitude of receptivity during the entire new year. A fund to promote the industrial and commercial importance of Wilmington by giving publicity to the city's numerous and conspicious advantages will prove an investment that certainly would be a dividend payer to every interest in the city.

THE OLD YEAR—THE NEW YEAR.

Father Time came in the midnight watches and ushered in the New Year. What 1911 holds in store for us only Time can tell. It is well to hope it will be happiness and prosperity, yet we may as well anticipate that it will be like other years, with their joys, their sorrows, their triumphs and their disappointments. The old year was ticked out as the slow-moving hands of the clock pointed to midnight, and it marks the passing of the first decade of the Twentieth Century. It is past and gone, with its record of human woes and its tragedies, its gloom and its light, and its triumphs and disasters; but, after all, it scores in the progress of the human race and its world's records in science and notable achievements, and it is the part of optimism to believe that it has closed with progress for the world and its peoples who make it what it is, so far as human endeavor goes.

"Hope springs eternal in the human breast," and that is why we always greet the new year with gladness and wish for each other a Happy New Year. It is well that mankind looks on the bright side and that its aspirations are undaunted by time with its record in the past, and whatever it holds in the future. The Happy New Year is here and we should never believe that "the worst is to come," but that it is the dawn of brighter and better days. In that spirit the Star wishes all its friends and everybody else a happy and prosperous New Year.

WOMAN'S PLACE.

The tenth decade of the Twentieth Century closed last night and another year has begun, to be added to the progressive era which has witnessed the most marvellous triumphs in science, mechanics, agriculture, social progress, and achievements generally that not only astound the men who live in the midst of it but would be incomprehensible and startling to the men of other centuries if they could but rise from the dead. What is a woman's place in this progressive age? What part has she taken in the world's progress?

With the close of the past year woman's social condition throughout the world has been improved. Her opportunities for education have been enlarged, the sphere of her social life has been broadened, she has made opportunities for herself, she has won achievements through her own efforts and ability, and another year is ushered in—not yet with equal showing for women, but with civilized man aiding her to occupy an even higher position in the world's affairs and yielding to her as she has the ability to triumph in the walks of life and in all human endeavor.

Woman has made wonderufl progress in this progressive age. The New York World remarks that "Woman's advance in masculine fields of effort have had abundant recognition." What right have we to say there are peculiarly "masculine fields?" Is not the field of achievements anybody's field—mankind's field? How long will it be before masculines will have no field of their own? We need not be astonished to see woman taking all fields as a part of her own. She is seizing opportunities and she is "making good" as the masculine in many fields for which she has been fitted and in which she has been given opportunities along with men.

Women have been known as the "weaker vessel," but what, if by smoking cigarettes and parting their hair in the middle, men may become inferior to the women of the future! However, for the present it is sufficient to note that woman's advance is recognized throughout the civilized world. We do not intend to recall all the evidences of woman's progress, for that would fill a book, but to note the extraordinary fact that nearly 50 women had a hand in producing and editing the new edition of the Encyclopaedia Britannica, celebrated throughout the world for the scholarship and learning of its authors. Recently in London a public dinner was given to the women engaged as editors and contributors in the compilation of the eleventh edition of the great British publication referred to. At the dinner Miss Janet Hogarth, head of the Encyclopaedia's female staff, referred to the fact that women contributed to the ninth edition of the Encyclopaedia, and she added:

"But if any one had suggested to the then editors and proprietors that women's share in the work should be not only acknowledged but proclaimed upon the housetops, the suggestion would have been regarded as absolutely revolutionary if not positively indecent."

As a matter of fact the brainy women contributed not only articles on topics of social and feminine interest but on science, philosophy, medicine, scholarship, education, literature, history, travel, music, art and other topics. In an appreciative editorial referring to the value of their work, the World notes that the variety of their contributions is shown by the fact that Lady Lugard wrote the article of Nigeria from a first-hand acquaintance with the subject, gained by original investigation of the little known history of the western portion of Central Africa. Miss Schlesinger contributed the exasutive article on musical instruments, and others might be specified but it is only necessary to add this tribute from the World:

"Considering what women have accomplished in the way of research in science, like Mme. Curie in chemistry and Mrs. Ayrton in electricity, what they have done in all fields of literature, sociology and education, in travel and exploration and in college and professional work, in their equal admission with masculine collaborators to the Britannica they have only received their deserts."

The Star agrees with the World, and man but indicates his progressiveness when he acknowledges the achievements of woman and aids her in making the field broader in every respect befitting her capacity. North Carolina women take high rank in the progress of womankind and at no period in the history of the State was there ever a higher type of womanly intellectuality, strength of character and qualifications for achievements creditable to the sex—even to mankind. We have in Wilmington many women splendidly educated and equipped with the mentality to enter upon the solution of questions and even cope with problems which not many years ago were considered beyond her sphere. Our only fear is that they will surpass men. Hats off to the women of the Twentieth Century!

PROGRESS FOR WILMINGTON.

What of the city of Wilmington for the new year? Certainly the city should make great progress in improvements of a public character, for she has already begun to spend $900,000 voted some time ago for better waterworks, a more complete system of sewerage and street improvements on a large scale. No city on the South Atlantic has been so liberal in its appropriations and bond issues for genuine progress, and, therefore, the coming year should witness the rapid consummation of the plans for spending nearly a million dollars in making a better and more beautiful Wilmington from a physical and material standpoint.

Wilmington faces the new year with practically only one problem for immediate solution, and that is the simplification of the present complicated and unsatisfactory plan of municipal government. Public sentiment seems to be largely in favor of the commission plan of government and the Legislature will be asked at its session, to be commenced next Wednesday, to so amend the charter as to permit Wilmington to adopt a more systematic, practical and economic plan of conducting the public affairs of the city.

Our people think well of the commission plan and with the administration of the city's affairs in the hands of capable men under some system that will make for progressiveness and good government, Wilmington will go forward. That is the aim of the citizens of Wilmington in their desire to change their plan of administering the city's affairs, and they are committed to the commission plan because they hear only good reports of it from the 90 or 100 cities which have tried it. Our neighboring city of Columbia, S. C., furnishes a nearby example and the following from the Columbia State of December 29th, will look good to the friends of the commission plan:

"The proof of the pudding is in the eating. Columbians are now given a slice of the Commision government pudding. How do the taxpayers and those wishing good government and progressiveness like its flavor? Less than eight months ago the change was effected; the government by wards went out and the business government by the city came in. There was a floating debt of more than seventy-five thousand dollars. The first effort of the new regime was to get the city out of debt and that is the first great accomplishment. For once in decades the New Year finds the city free from notes in hand and other obligations, and running on a strictly cash basis. So much is good, but it is by no means all that is bright. The budget shows estimated receipts for the next year $449,455, and estimated expenditures $330,850, leaving as a 'reserve fund' $118,705. The appropriations made seem liberal; that of $33,000 for the up-keep of streets is larger by several thousands than any heretofore made. The 'reserve fund' is abnormally large because of the $30,980 in premiums on the refunded bonds, but even with that deducted it would still be $87,725. The surplus, above ordinary running expenses, will be spent in permanent improvements. The first of such improvements will probably be the construction of a new jail, a modern jail being an imperative need. An incinerator plant will also be installed. With these extraordinary expenses for permanent building deducted, there will remain about $75,000 to be devoted to street work and other improvements. With the expenditure of $60,000 a year by the city for street paving, with abutting property on each side bearing one-third the cost, the value of permanent street improvements would be $180,000 a year. The New Year holds bright promise for Columbia."

Columbia gives us a practical illustration of what can be accomplished under a better plan of municipal administration, and the State newspaper is a good witness of the achievements of Columbia's new government as it has been simplified, systematized and economized. How do Wilmingtonians like it?

Lily Langtry announces that she has "left the stage for good." Our recollection of it is she is a little too old to have done it much harm now.

Don't knock, this year. Don't be a tongue lasher. Considerate expressions and taffy will make others feel good and will save you lots of trouble from people who won't take a thing off you.

Senator Lorimer has been declared entitled to enrobe himself in his Senatorial toga, but only Senators with clean hands can consistently pick the whitewash off the Illinois Senator's habiliments.

A New York woman while dining with her husband, dislocated her jaw in an effort to chew a piece of steak. No doubt her husband immediately discovered the mishap on account of a sudden break in the conversation.

"Konigskinder," in spite of its name, is a fairy opera in three acts, now being played in New York. The musical composition is by Engelbert Humperdinck. If there is anything in a name, Humperdinck's Konigskinder ought to be the real thing.

Geographically, naturally, and fortunately, Wilmington is cut out for a South Atlantic Gateway Port. It is also the gateway of possibilities and opportunities. Pick Wilmington out on the map and come on to Winsome Wilmington, and get in the game.

CURRENT COMMENT.

It would seem the part of wisdom for the authorities of Robeson county to follow the example of New Hanover county and require public school teachers and pupils to be vaccinated. There has been some smallpox in the county for several months and there is no use taking chances.—Lumberton American.

"We would like to see incorporated in any new form of government proposed for Wilmington the office of city solicitor, corresponding to the office of district attorney in large cities like New York and Philadelphia. With a vigorous young attorney in a position of the kind, much of the objection to a non-resident solicitor would vanish and such a man would be in position to be of invaluable aid to his city and state."—Wilmington Star.

The plan of having a city solicitor has been given a trial in the recorder's court of Winston and has been entirely successful. To have such an official relieves the presiding judge of the necessity of acting both as judge and prosecutor, and is thus conducive to a better handling of the cases presented for trial. The recorder's court here has been a great success and the same is true of the solicitorship plan. The only trouble, it seems to us, is that the court does not have enough jurisdiction. It would probably be a good plan if the right of passing on minor civil matters were conferred on this court, thus relieving the superior court of the necessity of handling so much business of this class.—Winston-Salem Sentinel.

"Mr. Keren's dinner at Vienna," says The Chicago Tribune, apropos of our Austro-Hungarian ambassador's Thanksgiving spread, "had that of Sardanapalus backed off the festal board, and as for pomp and circumstance, there was nothing but."

This is very idiomatic, and it might mean several things, but the general purpose of the article of which it was a part seems to have been a criticism of Mr. Kerens for the luxurious and befunkied character of his fete. It appears that the guests were passed through the hands of two secretaries and rows upon rows of "powdered and silk-stockinged flunkies" before access to Mr. Kerens himself could be achieved. The Tribune seems to think we are living in the Eighteenth century, when Ben Franklin's plain dress and frugal mode of life lent real distinction to this country's representative in the courts of Europe. We were a plain, simple and frugal set of colonies in those days. Now things are quite different. We are a world-power, with colonies of our own to bring up in the way they should go. We have a plutocratic aristocracy, which, in the language of the day, has money to burn. Many of them are glad to burn it at foreign courts in the service of their country. The incidental conflagrations may be a bit burgeois and snobbish, but the plutocrats enjoy it, and if we are going to send them abroad to represent us it is no more than fair to let them splurge a bit. If this privilege were taken away, we should, like as not, lose their services and have to employ poor men in the foreign service and pay them adequate salaries, which is something Uncle Sam has never been willing to do.—New York Globe.

That the moving picture has taken a large hold upon the American public, and especially upon the children, is a fact which is obviously true, and all the greater, therefore, should the quality of pictures displayed be considered. As an educational instrument the moving picture has wide possibilities, and, likewise, if the subject matter chosen by nickel theatres is vicious and trashy, untold harm may be done young folk and children who feast their imaginations upon what they see thrown upon the screen.

Of course, at Charleston, as every where else, the motion picture is much in evidence, and it must be said to the credit of the managers of moving picture shows here, that they exercise a reasonable care in the selection of subject matter. Now and then a roll of films will be received which depicts pantomime drama of no merit and of questionable influence, but as a whole Charleston is shown pictures of proper interest. Views of foreign peoples, of pageants, of fairyland, of standard plays, of current events, comical pictures and pictures teaching a moral, showing athletic events, and historical scenes, all have a valuable place in the moving picture theater world. Perhaps the pictures which are built up after the standard of the dime novel should come in most strongly for criticism. There is nothing elevating or educational in the sloppy tank drama which is sometimes shown. Betrayed maidens who souse themselves in gloomy pools, villains holding up people at the point of big revolvers, and like scenes, may well be eradicated from the program.

The motion picture has come to stay, without doubt, and its merits should not be sacrificed by catering either to the sensational or the morbid taste. The public mind is too susceptible to the horror brand of canvas acting to withstand a surfeit of such diet, and it remains with the picture show managers themselves to keep their screens clean.—Charleston Post.

Beuna Vista, Va., Dec. 31.—Fire early today in the business section did damage to the extent of $15,000. Insurance of about $12,000 was covered by the losers. Brown Brothers, general store, was the heaviest loss, it being $8,000, with half that amount insured.

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TRAGIC DEATH OF AGED LADY

Mrs. Rebecca J. Bunting Died as Result of Shock When Her Clothing Caught Fire Yesterday. Funeral Services.

A gloom was cast over the entire community shortly after noon yesterday when it was announced that Mrs. Rebecca Joseph Bunting, relict of Joseph Erwin Bunting, and one of Wilmington's oldest and most highly esteemed women, had passed away at the home of her son-in-law, Mr. H. F. Wilder, No. 216 Chesnut street, following burns received when her clothing ignited from a wood stove, over which she was evidently bending to wind a clock on the mantel, or replenishing the fire with fuel.

The flames quickly spread to several articles in the room and volumes of smoke issuing from the windows of the room occupied by Mrs. Bunting attracted the attention of Mrs. Henry W. Angel, who lives across the street from the residence of Mr. Wilder, and she hurried to the Wilder home to inform the occupants of the fire indicated by the smoke. In company with Mrs. Wilder she ran upstairs to Mrs. Bunting's room. The door was closed but was forced open. A great volume of smoke poured out of the room and the flames were leaping about the bed and washstand. The ladies were not long in observing the fact that Mrs. Bunting was not in the room and they hurried to the bath room adjoining, where Mrs. Bunting lay on the floor, a few feet away from the tub, apparently lifeless. Dr. Willingham chanced to be passing and attracted by the cries of Mrs. Wilder, rushed into the house. Mrs. Bunting was not dead, but life was almost extinct. She was removed to Mrs. Wilder's room, where she breathed only a few minutes and then expired. She was only slightly burned and it is thought that death was due more to the shock and inhalation of the smoke than from actual burns.

After the discovery of Mrs. Bunting and the arrival of the physician an alarm of fire was turned in and the firemen responded promptly, extinguishing the flames in a few minutes, with very little damage to furniture and effects in the room.

News of the distressing tragedy spread very rapidly and cast a gloom over the entire community, for Mrs. Bunting was one of the best known and most generally beloved women of the city, and none knew her but to esteem and admire her for her many womanly virtues. Hundreds of friends called at the grief-stricken home to offer their condolences to the sorely bereaved members of the family.

While no one knows how the fire started, Mrs. Bunting being alone in the room, it is presumed that she was bending over the stove to wind a clock when her clothing caught. It is supposed that she started at once for the bath room with the hope that she could extinguish the flames with water, but she did not reach the faucet, falling exhausted a few feet distant.

Mrs. Bunting was the widow of the late Jaseph Erwin Bunting, who died about 40 years ago, and she was in the 82nd year of her age, having celebrated her 81st birthday last Saturday, Christmas Eve. She had spent her entire life in Wilmington, where she was born, and had hundreds and hundreds of warm friends who were shocked and pained beyond expression to learn of her tragic death. She is survived by three sons, Mr. Samuel V. Bunting, agent for the Pullman Company, in this city, and Messrs. J. Hicks Bunting and Nash E. Bunting, prominent druggists, of Wilmington, and two daughters, Mrs. W. H. Murphy, of Birmingham, Ala., and Mrs. H. F. Wilder, of this city, with whom she made her home. They have the heartfelt sympathy of hundreds of friends in their sad bereavement. Mrs. Murphy was notified by telegraph yesterday afternoon of the tragic death of her mother, and a telegram was received from her last night stating that it would be impossible for her to attend the funeral services.

Mrs. Bunting was a member of Grace Methodist church and was a devout Christian woman. The funeral services will be held from the church this afternoon at 3 o'clock, conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. C. Wooten, and the interment will be in Oakdale cemetery.

Bound Over to Recorder's Court.

Sam Peoples, colored, of Acorn Branch, was given hearing before Justice Harriss yesterday morning on two charges, preferred by Frank Scott, colored, of the same neighborhood, as the result of a controversy between the negroes over the line dividing their lands. Peoples was charged with the larceny of holly from the property of Scott and also with assault with deadly weapon on Scott, both offenses alleged to have been committed about ten days ago. The holly was cut from the land which is in dispute and the cutting of the holly by Peoples resulted in the personal encounter, during which it is charged that Scott was struck with an axe and one of his arms broken. Hon. John D. Bellamy appeared for the defendant, while L. Clayton Grant, Esq., appeared for the prosecution. The justice found probable cause and bound the defendant over to the Recorder's court and the cases are scheduled for investigation Monday.

Christmas Tree Exercises.

The Christmas tree exercises of East Wilmington Presbyterian Sunday School was held Friday night at the school house a short distance from the residence of Mr. Oscar Pearsall and there were a large number in attendance. Mr. E. Norfleet is superintendent of the school and he presided over the exercises last night. An attractive programme was rendered by the members of the school and a short talk was made by Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, who has charge of the services at East Wilmington church.

Grand Theatre.

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Special Announcement

As the banks of this city will observe Monday, January 2, as a legal holidy, THE PEOPLES SAVINGS BANK will allow interest from January 1st on all deposits made with them on TUESDAY, JAN. 3. This is the REGULAR INTEREST QUARTER of The Peoples Savings Bank. : : : : : :

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THE YEAR 1911 USHERED IN

Blowing of Whistles and Ringing of Bells Marked the Changing From the Old to the New in This City—Services.

By another turn of the cycle of time the good old year of 1910 passed out at the stroke of 12 last night and the new year, 1911, was ushered in, and to many this perhaps will be the most eventful year they have ever experienced.

The passing from the old to the new was marked in Wilmington by the blowing of whistles and horns, ringing of bells and explosion of firecrackers, as the clock at the Court House tolled the midnight hour. Watch night services were held in various sections of the city and beautiful and appropriate exercises were held just preceding the hour the new year made its advent.

It has long been the custom of the Boys' Brigade to hold services at the armory, corner Second and Church streets, to properly observe the passing of the old year and "ring in the new." Several hundred people gathered at the armory to join the Brigade members in the service, which began at 11 o'clock and continued until after the birth of the new year.

The exercises at the armory were on a more elaborate scale than ever before attempted and there was "something doing" from 8:30 o'clock until after midnight. The first event was a basketball contest between the Lions and the Stags, resulting in a victory in favor of the former by a score of 24 to 17. The contest was witnessed by a large number and the game aroused much interest and enthusiasm. Immediately following the game a delightful musical programme, given in yesterday's paper, was rendered in the auditorium, which was well filled with friends of the institution. Each number on the programme was well received and greatly enjoyed.

Col. Walker Taylor, founder and head of the institution, presided at the watch night services and gave a most interesting resume of the work of the organization during the past year, mentioning the advance step taken in the employment of Mr. Chas. Dushan as general secretary, who is the active manager of the institution, the achievements of the past few months demonstrating beyond any doubt that this was one of the most important steps forward ever taken by the organization and that the institution was exceedingly fortunate in being able to secure the services of Mr. Dushan. Colonel Taylor also spoke of what it is hoped to accomplished during the year which is now in its infancy. He then presented Rev. Wm. E. Cox, rector of St. John's Episcopal church, who spoke on the subject of "Turning Over a New Leaf," making the point that one should not make premature resolutions, but rather endeavor to improve one's character. He was followed by Rev. J. S. Crowley, pastor of Immanuel Presbyterian church, who spoke on "Service," and was heard with much interest. The services were brought to a close at 12:05 A. M. with the singing of the doxology.

For ten minutes preceding the hour of midnight there were heard at intervals explosions of fire-crackers in various parts of the city. The explosions came "thicker and faster" as the moment of the birth of the new year approached and as the clock tolled the hour of 12 many steamboat and locomotive whistles sounded, church and other bells were rung, Christmas horns were blown, the explosion of fire-crackers and fire-arms became more pronounced and the scores of persons yet on the streets tested the strength of their lungs. This inharmony of sounds continued for 10 of 15 minutes and there is no reason why every person in Wilmington, should he not have been advised previously, is aware of another turn made by the cycle of time.

Watch night services were held at several places in the city other than the Boys' Brigade armory, all being largely attended, and there were several watch night parties at different homes throughout the city.

Matrimonial Business Good.

Matrimonial business was exceptionally good in New Hanover county during the month of December, which ranks with June as a month of marriages. There were issued from the office of the Register of Deeds 47 licenses, 25 to white and 22 to colored couples, against 34 during the month of November. Probably half of the number were issued during the past ten days.

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APPOINTMENTS FOR MONTH.

Places Where Yoke Fellows Will Hold Meetings During January.

The appointment committee, Messrs. W. A. McGirt, R. F. Coleman, P. H Murphy and E. Cavanaugh, yesterday announced the appointments of the Yoke Fellows' of the Y. M. C. A. for the month of January, as follows:

City prison, services at 10 A. M. January 1st, L. D. Latta; 8th, B. A. Robseon; 15th, H. S. McGirt; 22nd, K. W. Price. County Home, 3 P. M. January 1st, H. G. Bowden and C. H Mattocks; 8th, P. H. Murphy and C. C Mattocks; 15th, J. T. Sholar and C. C Mattocks; 22nd, H. McA. Rose and H. E. O'Keef; 29th, W. W. Koch and H. E. O'Keef; Wrightsboro Union School, 7:30 P. M., January 1st, W. H. Blair and E. G. Minez; 8th, E. Cavanaugh and C. B. Newcombe; 15th, L. B Rogers and H. Wormersley; 22nd, H. G. Bowden and W. A. McGirt; 29th P. Heinsberger and P. H. Murphy Wrightsboro Baptist church, 7:30 P. M., January 8th, R. F. Coleman and W. H. Blair. Wrightsville Sound, 4 P. M., Janauary 8th, E. Cavanaugh and I. W. Cooper; 29th, J. B. Huntington and J. T. Sholar. Greenville Sound 7:30 P. M., January 8th; L. D. Latta and H. S. McGirt; 29th, H. McA. Rose and W. H. Blair. Castle Haynes. 11 A. M., January 1st, H. G. Bowden and G. C. Bordeaux; 8th, P. H. Murphy and B. A. Thees. East Wilmington residence of F. N. S., 8 P. M., January 8th, P. H. Murphy and W. A. McGirt; 12th, H. G. Bowden and I. W. Cooper; 19th, R. F. Coleman and P. Heinsberger; 26th, J. T. Sholar and Virginius Hall. Catherine Kennedy Home, 7:30 P. M., January 3rd, L. L. Corbett and R. G. Davis; 10th, J. T. Sholar and G. C. Bordeaux; 17th, W M. Cumming and L. B. Rogers; 24th Chas. F. Newcomber and Virginius Hall; 31st, W. H. Blair and P. Heinsberger.

LUNCHEON AND SMOKER.

Delightful Affair Given by Cape Fear Council, U. C. T's.

One of the most largely attended and delightful affairs ever given by Cape Fear Council, No. 374, United Commercial Travelers, was the semi annual luncheon and smoker, which took place in council hall, over the Murchison National Bank last night. The council held a business session from 8 to 9 o'clock, following which luncheon was served and cigars passed around. A very pleasing musical programme was rendered by a quartette composed of Mr. H. K. Holden, Mr. H. R. Bates and the Messrs. Fenley, Mr. E. H. Munson playing the accompaniment. The musical selections proved a decided feature of the gathering of the travelers. At the conclusion of the luncheon the council re-assembled for the initiation of a class of ten candidates. Mr. W. O. Page, Senior Councilor, presided, and Mr. L. H. Burnett, secretary, was at his post. The attendance of the members of the council was gratifying and the social features were greatly enjoyed by all.

WEEK OF PRAYER.

Will be Observed by Presbyterian Churches of This City.

Presbyterian churches of this city and vicinity will observe this as a week of prayer and services will be held every evening up to and including Friday. The services will be open to all Presbyterians of the city as well as members of other denominations who may care to attend. The week of prayer is observed by Presbyterian churches throughout the world and the services are always of a helpful nature. Monday night services will be held at St. Andrew's church conducted by Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells; Tuesday night at Immanuel Presbyterian church, conducted by Rev. J. M. Plowden; Wednesday night at First Presbyterian church, conducted by Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure; Thursday night, Delgado church, conducted by Rev. W. M. Shaw; Friday night, St Andrew's, conducted by Rev. J. S. Crowley.

Will Look After Repairs.

Capt. Earl I. Brown, United States Engineer in charge of this district, and Mr. R. C. Merritt, assistant engineer, will leave today for Jacksonville, Fla., where they go to look after the repairs to the dredge Comstock, which arrived at that port yesterday in tow of the dredge Cape Fear. After remaining in Jacksonville a few days Messrs. Brown and Merritt will return by way of Savannah, Ga., where the dredge Cape Fear will be overhauled for the year's work.

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COMPULSORY VACCINATION

County Board of Health Will be Called to Consider This Step in Campaign to Stamp Out Smallpox in the County.

In order to make the campaign to stamp out smallpox in Wilmington and New Hanover county more effective and speedy, the City Board of Health in regular monthly session yesterday afternoon passed a resolution favoring compulsory vaccination and recommending to the chairman of the Board of County Commissioners that he call a meeting of the Auxiliary Board of Health, composed of all the registered physicians of the county, to consider the matter and make recommendations to the County Sanitary Committee, which has absolute authority when it comes to the protection of the public health.

It is believed by many that compulsory vaccination is the only means of successfully combatting the disease and there is a strong sentiment that every man, woman and child in the county be required to be vaccinated. Action upon this will depend largely upon what the physicians of the county decide at the meeting which will be called by Chairman McEachern, probably for tomorrow, as it is desired that the question be settled as early as possible. The spread of the disease in this city is due to the fact that smallpox now appears in such mild form that even the services of a physician are not needed and not secured in any number of cases. Sometimes the patients do not know, and do not try to ascertain, the cause of their brief illness. Dr. Akerman, the city superintendent of health, has found within the past few weeks more than 20 persons who had smallpox, but did not know the nature of the disease. They perhaps would never have known what caused their illness had it not been for the fact that a case of smallpox was discovered in the house, the city physician called in and make an examination with a view of vaccinating all those of the household who had not had the disease or had been successfully vaccinated. Then again, a number of victims of the disease know they have smallpox, but their illness is of such little consequence that they do not call in a physician, knowing that if a physician is called they will be quarantined. So it is that general vaccination is urged and many believe that it should be compulsory, though there are many others who hold a contrary view and declare that they will leave the city rather than submit to vaccination.

The incomplete report of Dr. Akerman for the month of December, made so on account of the fact that the month had not come to a close at the time of the meeting, shows that there are now 121 cases of smallpox in the city. There were 68 cases remaining December 1st, 175 new cases developed during the month and 122 cases were discharged.

The meeting yesterday afternoon was presided over by Mayor Walter G. MacRae, the chairman, and in attendance were Dr. Joseph Akerman, city superintendent of health; City Engineer C. R. Humphreys and Mr. Joseph D. Smith. The lay members of the Coty Board af Health favor compulsory vaccination provided it is deemed the wise thing by the physicians of the county. Without having had the opportunity of an expression from the physicians it appeared to them that it was the thing to do in order to stamp out the disease. However, the matter is left to a vote of the physicians of the county, as the County Sanitary Committee, composed of the Board of County Commissioners, and Drs. Edward J. Wood and R. Harllee Bellamy, will doubtless act favorably upon the recommendation of a majority of the medical men of the county.

Emphasis should again be laid upon the fact that New Hanover county is not the only one in Eastern Carolina that has smallpox to contend with, but it appears to be a fact that New Hanover county is the only one of the number making determined efforts to stamp out the disease. It is said that the disease is prevalent to a great extent in some of the adjoining counties.

STEAMERS WITH COTTON.

One for Triest and Another for Liverpool Cleared Yesterday.

Two steamers with cotton for foreign export cleared from the port yesterday. The first steamer of the season for Triest, Austria, the Austrian steamer Virginia, carries cargo of 3,003 bales, valued at $240,000. Usually one steamer goes to this port for Austria. The British steamer Kalanga, Capt. Plomer, has cargo of 10,628 bales, valued at $850,000 and goes to Liverpool. The cargoes and vessels are by Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son.

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THE RECORDER'S COURT.

Several Cases Heard at Yesterday Morning's Sitting—Cases.

In the absence from the city of Recorder John J. Furlong yesterday's session of Recorder's court was presided over by Substitute Recorder George Harriss. Chas. Stevenson, a white man, who was given hearing Friday on the charge of drunkenness, judgment being suspended upon condition that he leave the city at once, was again before the court on a charge of drunkenness, having become "full" of "blind tiger" shortly after his promise to make a hasty departure from the city. He was given 30 days on the roads in each case, making a total of 60 days he must serve for his belated Christmas celebration. Frank Onslow, colored, charged with disorderly conduct, which consisted of cursing and abusa white woman of the underworld, was sent to the roads for 30 days.

The case against Andrew Capps and Jas. A. Hewlett, white men, charged with engaging in an affray some days ago, was investigated. Capps was fined $25 and costs, while Hewlett was let off with his portion of the costs. Mr. W. H. McEachern was found not guilty of the charge of obstructing the street in front of his place of business with wagons and bales of hay.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH TODAY.

Sermon Appropriate to New Year's Day at Evening Service.

The usual service will be held at St. James' tonight. As this is New Year's Day, the subject of the sermon will be appropriate to the occasion, "The Man Who Makes No Mistakes—And Nothing Else."

The service will be preceded by an organ recital at 7:45 P. M. and the choir will render appropriate anthems during the course of the service. On the succeeding Sunday night, Dr. Milton will continue to preach on problems and difficulties of religious faith and practice.

The usual service will be held in the morning at 11 o'clock, and in the afternoon the monthly service and catechising of the Sunday School will be held at 4 o'clock in the Sunday School chapel.

Mr. Edward Cottle Dead.

The funeral of Mr. Edward Cottle, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cottle, who died at the home of his parents at Topsail Sound Thursday morning, was held Friday, Rev. C. F. Whitlock, of this city, conducting the services in the presence of a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends. The young man was only 18 years of age and was highly esteemed by those who knew him.

Services at Fifth Street.

Rev. G. T. Adams, the new pastor of Fifth Street Methodist church, will conduct the services both morning and evening at his church today. A special invitation for these services is accorded the membership of the church. The sacrament of the Lord's supper will be administered at the morning services.

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Xmas has come and gone, as have most of the opportunities of 1910. Why not start the New Year right by opening a SAVINGS ACCOUNT with this old and strong institution? It's one resolution you should make and keep; you will find none more profitable. : : : : : :

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A Happy New Year to All

And in connection, I wish to thank the people of Wilmington for their staunch patronage throughout the Forty Years of my Business Career.

I feel that you alone are the ones to thank for my continued success and for the reputation which I have attained of being: THE LARGEST MERCHANT TAILORING ESTABLISHMENT IN THE SOUTH.

Very respectfully yours,

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"The Store That's Always Busy"

Reduction Announced!

We Announce Our First Reduction in Ladies' Coats and Coat Suits. : : : : : : : :

BEGINNING TUESDAY, JANUARY THIRD, and continuing the entire week, we offer our entire stock of

Coats, Suits, Dresses and Furs

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$25.00 Suits for $18.75
$22.50 Suits for $15.75
$18.00 and $17.50 Suits for $13.75
$15.00 Suits for $11.75

SPECIAL FOR THE WEEK—A $5.00 Silk Taffeta Underskirts, in black or colors; came too late for our holiday selling; we offer them for each $3.48

Ready for your inspection: New Muslin Underwear, New Wash Goods, New White Goods, New Embroideries, New Mattings, New Rugs.

THE C. W. POLVOGT COMPANY
Opposite Postoffice.

SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Brief Mention, News of Societies, Meetings, etc

FLOWERS

(Oliver Wendell Holmes.)

Do you ever wonder why poets talk so much about flowers? Did you ever hear a poet who did not talk about them? Don't you think a poem which for the sake of being original should leave them out would be like those verses where the letter A or E or some other is omitted? No; they will bloom over and over again in poems as in the summer fields, to the end of time, always old and always new. Why should we be more shy of repeating ourselves than the spring be tired of blossoms, or the night of stars? Look at nature. She never wearies of saying over her floral paternoster. In the crevices of cyclopean walls—in the dust where men lie, dust also—on the mounds that bury huge cities, the Birs Nemrod and the Babel-heap—still that same sweet prayer and benediction. The amen of nature is always a flower.

LOVE—LIGHT—LILY AND ROSE.

If love were ever Sunshine
And Sorrow always Rain,
With nothing coming after
But sadness, care and pain,
I'd ask a Life of Light, for you,
A gift from God above, for you,
Nor dreary days come near to you,
Nor quicken, dear, a Care, for you:
If Love were ever Sunshine,
And Sorrow always Rain.

If Love were ever Lilies,
And Sorrow always Weeds,
Nor Flower fair among them,
Like Life without kind Deeds,
I'd bring, Love, Lilies fair, to you—
The richest of the rare, for you;
Heavenly visions, dead, as you—
Nor Care should e'er come near, to you:
If Love were ever Lilies,
And Sorrow always Weeds.

If Love were always Roses,
And Sorrow ever a Thorn,
With naught but Night and Darkness,
And ne'er the glorious Morn;
Rose Gardens, fair, I'd grow for you,
The Buds I'd always pluck—that's true—
The Thorns I'd leave amid the Dew;
With Joy, my Gifts I'd bear, to you:
If Love were ever Roses,
And Sorrow always Thorns.

"PANTOPS."

New Year's Morning (Sunday)
January 1st, 1911.

Miss Ida McLean Black and Miss Hazel Black are spending the holidays with relatives at Sanford.

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Miss Emma Banks left Friday morning for Tarboro, N. C., where she will visit her brother, Mr. R. C. Banks.

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Miss Bessie Gore, after an absence of six weeks, pleasantly spent in Norfolk and Washington, returned to her home this morning.

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Mr. and Mrs. Blumenthal left for their home last night in Philadelphia after spending the holidays with Mrs. Sam Bear, corner Fifth and Chestnut streets.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Matthews and little daughter, of Carolina Place, left yesterday for Rocky Mount, where they will spend New Year's Day with Mr. Matthew's brother and sister, Mr. L. P. Matthews and Mrs. F. W. Ham.

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Mrs. Ada R. Gillespie, of Pittsburg, Pa., who has just returned from an eight months' trip abroad, visiting a number of countries in her tour, arrived yesterday morning to visit her daughter, Mrs. Chas. N. Evans, No. 914 Market street, on her way home.

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Arrangements have been completed for the annual New Year's dance to be given at the Howard Relief Club corner Front and Orange streets, tomorrow night. Members who have not received tickets may obtain same from a member of the committee at Struther's Cigar Store or at the club rooms Monday night.

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The annual New Year's reception of the Y. M. C. A., to be held in the parlors of the association tomorrow night from 8 to 12 o'clock, promises to be an elaborate and well-attended event. The programme will include selections by a string band and several vocal solos by well known soloists of the city. The public generally is invited to attend.

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Mr. Chas. N. Evans, the genial and popular president of the Southern National Bank, always in a cheery mood, was unusually radiant yesterday morning and to friends who inquired the cause he explained that there arrived at his home early yesterday morning a fine young banker, worth many times his weight, eight pounds, in gold.

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Special attention is called to the "Week of Prayer" of the Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist church. Every afternoon at 4 P. M. except Wednesday, this meeting will be held. Wednesday night at 8 P. M., with special musical programme. The Christmas envelope offering will be taken up at this meeting. The general public is cordially invited.

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Mrs. Earl I. Brown entertained at a delightful luncheon last Thursday in honor of Mrs. H. H. Ludlow, the wife of Colonel Ludlow, commanding Fort Caswell. The color scheme was red and gold, the colors of the U. S. Engineers, and the table was a mass of Japanese embroidery. The charming affair was attended by Mrs. Ludlow, the honor guest; Mrs. T. G. Empie, Mrs. Walter Smallbones, Mrs. George Kidder, Mrs. Eugene Wiggins, Mrs. R. O. Crisp, Miss Mary Wiggins, Mrs. A. G. Ricaud and Mrs. George Rountree.

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JOLLY DOZEN CLUB ENTERTAINS BARACAS.

At its inaugural meeting of the season, Friday evening, the Jolly Dozen Club delightfully entertained a jolly dozen of the Junior Baracas at the home of Miss Annie Leah Mercer, a member of the club. Those present were: Miss Reta Morse with Harriss Alderman; Miss Louise Taylor with Leighton Boone; Miss Annie Leah Mercer with Avon Blue; Miss Genevieve Dushan with Wallace Smith; Miss Hazel Winstead with Claude Cooper; Miss Isabel Gaylor with Fowler Morrison; Miss Anna Cavanaugh with Cliff Morris; Miss Gertrude Johnson with Virginus Hall; Miss Annie Taylor with James Hall; Mr. and Mrs. W. Z. Corbett, and Frank Mills. Three members of the club who were unable to be present are Miss Ida Fleet and Misses Estelle and Valeria Thomas.

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Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 31.—Tuesday evening at 6 o'clock the First Presbyterian church was the scene of a beautiful wedding when Miss Cordye Maye Weatherly became the bride of Mr. Thomas Whitehead Tate. The ceremony was performed by the bride's pastor, Rev. Melton Clark, in the presence of a large assemblage of friends. The church was beautifully decorated with palms, ferns, Southern smilax and potted plants, artistically arranged. Prof. Claude Robinson presided at the organ. He rendered a delightful musical programme before the ceremony. Mrs. Fred Sparger sang in a charming way that famous song, "Because" and Shubert's Serenade. The bridal party entered to the strains from the bridal chorus from Lohengrin, while Mendelssohn's brilliant wedding march was played as the party left the church. Rev. Melton Clark was the first to enter, coming from his study. The ushers, J. N. Davis and Guy Hinshaw, of Winston-Salem; Joe Westbrook and R. A. Sills, came down opposite aisles in single file and crossed in front of the altar. Next came the bridesmaids, also single file. They were Miss Mary Calhum, in pink messaline en train, trimmed with pearls; Miss Agnes Martin, in pink messaline en train with pearl trimmings; Miss Mary McAdoo, in pink Persian satin en train, with white chiffon and pearl trimmings; Miss Margaret Wharton in pink Persian satin en train with white chiffon and pearl trimmings. Each carried a shower bouquet of pink carnations tied with pink tulle. Down the right aisle came the maid of honor, Miss Mary Fry, beautifully gowned in pink chiffon over blue brocaded satin, cut en train trimmed with pearl ornaments and carrying a shower bouquet of Killarney roses tied with pink tulle. As the groom accompanied by his best man, Mr. F. D. Williams, entered from the pastor's study, the bride entered by the right aisle, on the arm of her father, who gave her away. She wore a beautiful creation of white ivory satin cut en train, trimmed with embroidered chiffon and pearls. Her veil was silk tulle and was caught back with a wreath of orange blossoms. She carried a shower bouquet of bride's roses and lilies of the valley tied with white chiffon. The bride and groom met in front of the waiting minister and as the vows were assumed the beautiful ring ceremony being used, Prof. Roberson played "O, Promise Me." The bridal party left the church by way of the left aisle. Following the ceremony the bridal party was entertained at the home of the bride's parents, 401 Eugene street, pending the arrival of train No. 38, on which Mr. and Mrs. Tate traveled to Washington and other cities on a bridal trip. After Jan. 10th they will be at home in Charleston, W. Va.

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BEAUTIFUL DANCE GIVEN BY MR. AND MRS. BELLAMY.

Last night at their beautiful home on Market street, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Bellamy gave one of the prettiest and most enjoyable dances that have take place in this city in quite a long while. The dance was given in honor of their attractive young daughter, Miss Mary Bellamy.

The house, which is one of the handsomest in the city, was beautifully decorated for the occasion, the ball room was very artistic in Southern smilax, ferns and potted plants, the light shaded with pink, making the scene a most beautiful one. Dancing was participated in until about 10:30 o'clock, when the guests were ushered down stairs to the dining room, which was a vision of beauty. A large table in the center of the room was attractively arranged with large cut glass bowls filled with grapes, bon-bons, etc. Other refreshments were served among which were cake and the most beautiful ices in different shapes and colors. The scene was one of beauty, the vivacious young girls who added to the picture, were all charming in dress as well as manner and good looks. After the refreshments were served the young people returned to the ball room and dancing was continued until nearly 12, when all said good night, after having enjoyed one of the most pleasant affairs of the season.

Mr. and Mrs. Bellamy were assisted in a most graceful manner by the following ladies: Mrs. Russell Bellamy, Mrs. R. R. Bellamy, Mrs. J. W. Williamson, Miss Trenholm and Miss May Beverly French. Delightful music was furnished by Hollowbush's orchestra, and the dance was led by Mr. Geo Clark and Mr. Merrill Blair.

The following received invitations: Misses Frances Bailey, Louise Smallbones, Marie Grainger, Lossie Cotchett, Edith Clark, Florrie Northrope, Kate Northrope, Elise Smith, Elizabeth Pemberton, Katharine Manning, Katharine Russell, Jennie Gilchrist, May Carmichael, Caroline Holmes, Sue Kingsbury, Louise Wise, Louise Worth, Essie Harriss, Margaret Cronly, Mary Worth, Meta Rountree, Juliette Albright, Margaret Quince, Janie Meares, Jeane Harriss, Virginia Milton, Jessica Vann, Dorothy Nash, Helen Williams, Virginia Taylor, Nora Corbett, Sallie Wright, Annie Carrigan, of Texas; Mildred Smith and Eleanor Gilchrist. The boys were Tom Strange, R. W. Strange, Jr., Isaac Grainger, Barclay Loder, William Harriss, A. DeR. Harriss, Merrill Blair, Willard Cantwell, Franklin Smith Charles Loder, Geo. Clark, Douglass Taylor, S. Harriss, Nelson MacRae, Spencer Nichols, Marion Harriss, Hargrove Bellamy, Chas. Grainger, W. C. Lord, Henry McKoy, William Sprunt, Edw. Hardin, Hugh Calder, William Parsley, Stone Pulliam, Alex. Sprunt, Geo. Carmichael, Robert DeRosset, Robert Cronly, Allan Emerson, Theo. Kingsbury and Harry West.

Grand Theatre.

See the New York City Police Force, a most interesting picture. **

..Theatrical..

"The Firing Line."

An announcement that will be received with pleasurable anticipation by all theatre-goers as well as book-lovers, will be that of the early presentation here of a dramatized version of Robert W. Chambers' famous novel "the Firing Line."

There is no novelist of modern times who enjoys the wide popularity of Mr. Chambers. His celebrated books which also include "The Fighting Chance," "Younger Set," and "Danger Mark" have been more widely read than any other works of fiction published in this country, and are easily accorded by publishers the highest rank among the "best sellers" They have also reached, in serial form, millions of readers through the columns of The Saturday Evening Post.

At the Bijou Tomorrow.

Patrons of the Bijou will be delighted to know that another Biograph subject will be shown tomorrow as the feature of the bill, entitled "A Child's Stratagem," showing how the little one prevents a domestic disaster. "The Other Way" is a delightful comedy and will make a great hit with the audiences.

The Crystal Palace.

The Palace will present an unusually attractive bil tomorrow. The "Shorts," just out of Philadelphia, will present a splendid novelty act, and "The Three Sisters," will play their best of several good acts. The performers promise several changes during the week and come with strong recommendations from many Southern managers. New pictures will be shown every day.

Grand Theatre.

A most important announcement from the Grand Theatre is that beginning tomorrow af ernoon Mr. Harry Morgan, the celebrated New York baritone singer will sing every afternoon and night at the beautiful new theatre. Mr. Morgan has a big reputation and Wilmingtonians are guaranteed a rare treat. The pictures for tomorrow are: "When Lovers Part," "Big Medicine" and "Bertie's Elopement." The orchestra will play a select programme and at night Mr. La Barre will play Bartlett's "A Dream."

At Joyland.

The programme for Monday is way above the average, consisting of three up-to-date subjects: "The Wreck," a stirring drama; "The Difficult Capture," a screaming comedy, and "The Woman Hater," a comedy drama full of human interest. The illustrated song will be "I'm Glad I'm Irish," by Mr. Reilly. Programme changes daily.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. J. T. Sheets, of Suburb, Brunswick county, spent yesterday in Wilmington.

—Mr. S. H. Baker, car foreman for the S. A. L. Railway at Wilmington left on the early A. C. L. train yesterday morning, accompanied by his wife and little son, "Ned," to visit relatives and friends at Lake City, S. C.

MR. HENRY E. PHELPS DEAD.

Passed Away Yesterday at Noon, After Illness of Some Time.

Many friends were pained to learn of the death of Mr. Henry Earle Phelps, which occurred at 12:15 o'clock yesterday afternoon at his home, No. 518 McRae street, after an illness of some time, suffering from a complication of diseases. Mr. Phelps was a native of Brunswick couty, and was in the 47th year of his age.

Mr. Phelps made his home at Southport for a number of years, removing to this city about six years ago, and has made many friends here. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Annie Phelps, and nine children, Ida G., Geneva L., Susie R., Lillie M., Annie L. Richard E., Alice D., Joseph W., and Norman W. Phelps. The funeral services will be held at the family residence at 8:30 o'clock this morning and the body will be taken on the steamer Wilmington to Southport for interment.

Smallpox Contacts Arrested.

Charged with disorderly conduct, Mary Gibbs and Carney Larkins, colored women, were arrested at Ninth and Walnut streets last night by Mounted Officers Frank George and J. H. Davis. After arresting the women the officers learned that the house in which they had been staying had been quarantined on account of smallpox. The women were sent to the hall, but as soon as Assistant Chief of Police Woolard learned the circumstances and had communicated with Dr. Akerman, the city superintendent of health, he recognized the women and sent them in charge of an officer to the house in which they had been living. There is one case of smallpox at the mouse under quarantine and the women stated that they had not entered the room of the patient.

Highly Respected Colored Man

Louis Hill, one of the oldest and best known colored men of this city, died Friday afternoon at his home corner Seventh and Meares streets after an illness of some time. Louis was an old-time darkey, whose type is rapidly passing, and held the confidence and esteem of many white friends as well as members of his race, among whom he was a great influence for good. For 40 years Louis was a servant in the Kidder family and was faithful to every trust reposed in him.

Meeting for Men at Y. M. C. A.

The regular Sunday afternoon meeting for men at the Y. M. C. A. at 5 o'clock this afternoon will be addressed by Mr. W. M. Cumming, who will have as his subject "Light." He will doubtless be heard with much interest. The meeting will be held in the parlors of the association and all men of the city are cordially invited to attend.

LOCAL DOTS.

—A marriage license was issued yesterday to Mr. Walter A. Thomas and Miss Fannie A. Jenkins, both of this city, the marriage to be celebrated today.

—On account of the the New Year holiday observance there was no cotton or naval stores quotations on the local market yesterday. Monday will also be observed.

—After a suspension of activities for the holidays, the regular gymn classes at the Y. M. C. A. will begin for the new year Monday night. Several games of basketball will be played at the gymnasium during the week.

—While tomorrow will be observed as a legal holiday, it is very probable that the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Aldermen will be held tomorrow night, the usual time for meeting. Mayor MacRae stated yesterday that he saw no reason why the meeting should not be held at the time appointed. The County Commissioners, however, will not hold their meeting until Tuesday, it was stated yesterday.

—Deeds were filed for record yesterday as follows: W. M. Harriss and wife to V. Sidbury, of Onslow county, for $500 and other considerations, lot on northeast corner of Eighth and Wooster streets, 66x83 feet in size; B. B. Brown and wife to J. D. Brown, for $10 and other considerations, lot on southwest corner of Fourth and Dawson streets, 66x132 feet in size; S. H. Dwarsky, Morris Hurwitz and H. Horowitz, trustees of the Israel Society, to E. G. Carrier for $2,500, lot on Dock, 70 feet west of Second, 30 1-2x105 feet in size.

INVENTORY OF A TAYLOR.

Interesting Sketch Read at Christmas Entertainment.

The following interesting sketch entitled "Inventory of a Taylor," was prepared and read by Mrs. J. S. Crowley at the Christmas exercises at Immanuel Presbyterian Church Wednesday night of last week, all those whose names are mentioned being either officers or teachers of the Sunday School:

'Tis the close of the year and a Taylor sits taking account of the stock that lies on his shelves. While perched upon arms, his head and his shoulders, can be spied a whole crew of mischievous elves. In tones, low and solemn, the Taylor is saying: "I've sewed garments of love throughout the past year. Each stitch has been taken with greatest of pleasure; but not much accomplished, I greatly do fear. They say I'm a good Walker, so perhaps if I hurry, the goal I have tried for, maybe I can find. From Durham and Bordeaux, Miss Nellie and Grover will help me to leave all others behind. How Little I thought when my work shop I opened, what a Savage delight I would take in my work. To sew is a pleasure, but in making of Bonitz—O Shaw! I am sorry my duty to shirk. At this the elves giggle, and say in a whisper, "We know, we are sure, the best way to trim the Banitz and garments, the Taylor has mentioned. A sweet sprig of Parsley, we know, would please him." "I need," said the Taylor, "strong men and good women to sew in my work shop, they must do their best. Mac, single, I know, would do half that I bid him; McIntire, I think, will do all my request. While sewing, I'm singing a song, that I fancy I Wood, that you all could learn the sweet Toon. I know that our home folk, and even a Brittain, from the depths of the Heart, will grant me this Boone. Some day there may come for garments to wed in, Kings decked with sweet Williams, the flowers I love. As I sew on their garments, in my heart I commend them to the Saviour who reigns in Heaven above. When sewing, sometimes I get very hungry and a good Brand of Hashagen and again, I purchase in Atkinson, and always enjoy it, I find it the best to use now and then. When I sew for the married, I need none to help me, for the Single-tery will sure help me through. The garments are Worth the Price paid for sewing; a Bushell of love for me and for you. In days that are past, the people paid taxes to a man whom many did hate and did fear. Matthew's tax on my Barnes I gladly do pay him, for they have become to me precious and dear." The Taylor sighed softly, the elves heard him whisper, 'E'er Crowleys down and blows out the light, I must take a good look at the garments finished, and give to each piece a loving good night."

O, Taylor, you've stitched and sewed to good purpose. You will reap a reward in the sweet bye and bye; when your shelves are all empty, the Saviour will call you, to dwell with Him ever in mansions on high.

Building in the Year 1910.

There was isused from the office of the city building inspector during the year 1910, 360 permits to erect residences in the city of Wilmington, the total valuation being $376,520; 81 permits for stores and houses used for business and commercial purposes, for a valuation of $421,200; three public buildings, for a valuation of $89,000, making the grand total of permits for the year 444 and the grand total valuation $827,720. This makes a good showing for Wilmington for the year.

The Arrests in December.

The police blotter at the city hall at 1 o'clock this morning showed that during the month of December 174 arrests were made, an increase of 78 over the month of November, when there were 96 arrests. For the year which closed at midnight there were 1,502 arrests against 1,112 for the preceding year. During the year 1909 there were 329 arrests for drunkenness and in 1910 there were about 640, the official report not yet being completed.

DIED.

In the city, Saturday, December 31st, HENRY EARLE PHELPS, in the 47th year of his age. Funeral services will be held at the family residence, No. 518 MacRae street, tomorrow (Sunday) morning at 8:30 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances invited to attend. Interment at noon tomorrow in the cemetery at Southport.

Have You An Old Friend Who Drinks Too Much?

MOST of us have some old friend who needs to be saved from his one fatal weakness of inebriety. A man perhaps, whose very brilliance and rapid success were his own undoing. Who has gone from bad to worse—until your former envy has turned to pity. And people say—"he was too good a fellow"—and "he couldn't stand success."

Of course you feel sorry for your old friend. You have too much sympathy and humanity not to help "put him on his feet again" if you only knew a way. Perhaps you have talked to him and tried in vain to appeal to him. Until finally you have given up in despair.

But there *is* a way to put him on his feet. A way that never fails to succeed. The Keeley treatment that treats inebriety not as a moral question, but as the disease that it is. It builds up new health and takes the old appetite away. And the Keeley treatment means no humiliation, no inconvenience and no great expense.

If you persuade your friend to take the treatment now and advance him the money you will make a new man of him and he can pay you back as he earns it again. And you—*you* will have the solid satisfaction of helping a friend regain his old prosperity and his self-respect. *Write today for booklet.*

W. H. OSBORN, President

THE KEELEY INSTITUTE Greensboro, North Carolina

A Holiday for Salesmen.

On account of the New Year holiday tomorrow a petition has been signed by representatives of wholesale houses as follows: "We the undersigned hereby agree not to work the city trade on Monday, 2nd, 1911. Saml' Bear Sr. & Son, J. C. Stevenson Co., E. Boushee, F. E. Hashagen Co., A. W. King Co., H. L. Vollers, Brown, Toon & Co., Heyer Bros., J. H. Watters.

Back to Crystal Palace.

Mr. Frank W. Peiffer, the popular manager of the Crystal Palace, will be on the job again Monday and resume managership of the theatre. Mr. Peiffer, after a protracted illness in the James Walker Memorial Hospital, visited his home in New Jersey, and while there secured many of the best vaudeville acts to be had, for the coming year, and assures the public of Wilmington that nothing is too good for the Palace.

BOLL WEEVIL TO SPREAD.

Bulletin Issued by the Department of Agriculture.

Washington, Dec. 31."Nothing has transpired up to the present time to indicate that the boll weevil will not eventually reach the northernmost and easternmost portions of the cotton belt," says W. D. Hunter, in charge of Southern field crop insect investigations, in a bulletin issued today by the Department of Agriculture.

The boll weevil last year infested nearly 30 per cent. of the cotton acreage of the United States. It was found in 100 per cent. of the cotton in Louisiana; in 80 per cent. of the cotton in Texas; 30 per cent. in Arkansas; 25 per cent. in Mississippi, and 3½ per cent. in Oklahoma.

The progress of the insect pest to the East will be more rapid than to the North, because of climatic conditions; but the experience thus far acquired seems to indicate, according to the Agricultural Department's experts that the boll weevil will eventually overcome any climatic barries. The only exception to this is in the high open plains of Western Texas. Important progress has been made in the use of arsenate of lead as a poison.

Foley's Kidney Remedy—An Appreciation.

L. McConnell, Catherine St., Elmira, N. Y., writes: "I wish to express my appreciation of the great good I derived from Foley's Kidney Remedy, which I used for a bad case of Kidney trouble. Five bottles did the work most effectively and proved to me beyond doubt it is the most reliable kidney medicine I have ever taken." —Robt. R. Bellamy.

Grand Theatre.

Special musical programme daily by Grand Theatre Orchestra. **

A Happy Smile and a Prosperous Appearance

Is what you will observe on hundreds of those who have taken advantage of my

Special Reduction Made-to-Measure Sale

The sale is on in full force. The variety of fabrics offered is exceptionally large, but the quantity of the best values is getting less every day, so it will be to your interest to come at once.

Fabrics, workmanship and guarantee the same as if you paid full prices. Note the difference in price:

$18.00 to $30.00 Values now $13.50 for Two-Piece Suit.
$30.00 to $40.00 Values now $19.00 for Two-Piece Suit.

Now, in wishing everybody success and compliments of the season, I want to see that smile which you will undoubtedly have when you have tried one of these extraordinary bargains.

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The Reliable Tailor and Men's Furnisher, N. E. Corner Front & Princess Sts.

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Head your list with Hewlett & Price's Shoes and Slippers.
Shown in a variety of styles to suit every occasion.

People are Growing More Practical Every Day.
Our Shoes and Slippers are Practical and Pleasing as Gifts.

MEN'S SHOES—In nobby patent, gun metal, tans and vicis, lace and button $4.00

MEN'S HUNTING BOOTS—The kind you can walk all day in and not feel worn out $7.00

MEN'S HEAVY WALKING SHOES with the chrome elk soles, usually last from one to two years, $4.00 and $5.00

MEN'S DANCING PUMPS—Gun metals and patents, special $2.00

MEN'S LEATHER ROMEOS and house Slippers in black, and tan, $1.50 and $1.75

MISSES' SHOES, 1 1-2 to 2. Patents on the new broad toe, kid, and cloth tops $2.00
Gun metals and kids in good lookers and wearers $1.75

CHILD'S SHOES, 8 1-2 to 11, vici kid and gun metals, patents kid and cloth tops $1.50

CHILD'S SHOES, 5 to 8, Orthopedic last, gun metals, vici kids and Russia calf, patents in kid, cloth and white calf tops $1.50

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LADIES SHOES in patent kid and gun metal, cloth tops, cravanettes Suedes and Russia calf, stylish lookers $4.00

LADIES' Gun Metals and patent bluchers, cloth and kid top patent buttons in a variety of styles $3.00

LADIES' WAUKENPHAST and cushion sole shoes. Havens of rest for tired feet. The cushion sole rests nerves of whole body $3.50

LADIES' BOUDOIR SLIPPERS—black, red and blue $1.00

Specials! Specials!! Specials!!!

Line of samples Ladies 'Felt Slippers, all styles, colors and cuts, worth from $1.50 to $2.00, while they last $1.19

A $5.00 line of Pumps, silk Cravanette, Velvet, dull kid and buckskin. Swell lookers, Special price $4.00

One Dollar in trade free for every $10.00 worth of register checks.

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Cleared.

Str. Navahoe, Packer, New York, H. G. Smallbones.

Aust. str. Virginia, Ivancich, Trieste, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Br. str. Kalanga, Plomer, Liverpool, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Exports—Foriegn.

Trieste—Aust. str. Virginia, 3,033 bales cotton, valued at $240,000; vessel and cargo by Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Liverpool—Br. str. Kalanga, 10,628 bales cotton, valued at $850,000; cargo and vessel by Alexander Sprunt & Son.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels Now in Port at Wilmington, N. C.

Steamers.

Hannah M. Bell (Br.), 1,933 tons, Thomas, Heide & Co.

Lovaine (Br.) 1,998 tons, Daniels, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Schooners.

Lottie R. Russell, 266 tons, James, C. D. Maffitt.

Blanche (Br.) 165 tons, Albury, C. D. Maffitt.

Barques.

Caithness-shire (Br.) 1,525 tons, Halford, Heide & Co.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Atlantic Coast Line—1,936 bales cotton; 2 casks spirits turpentine; 15 barrels rosin; 32 barrels tar; 8 barrels crude turpentine.

City of Fayetteville—5 casks spirits turpentine; 76 arrels rosin; 68 barrels tar.

Schr. Isabelle—4 casks spirits turpentine.

Tomi—1,936 bales cotton; 11 casks of spirits turpentine; 22 barrels rosin; 101 barrels tar; 8 barrels crude turpentine.

THE PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, Dec. 31—Flour dull, Spring patents 5.10 to 5.40; winter patents 4.40 to 4.75.

Rye Flour—Steady; fair to good 4.20 to 4.35.

Buckwheat Flour—Dull 2.25 per 100 pounds.

Buckwheat—Quiet. American 62 1-2 cif New York.

Cornmeal—Quiet; fine, white and yellow 1.20 to 1.25; coarse 1.15 to 1.20; kiln dried 2.85.

Rice—Dull; No. 2, western 82 1-2 fob New York.

Barley—Steady; malting 85 to 90 cif Buffalo.

Wheat—Spot irregular; No. 2, red 98 elevator and 98 fob afloat. Futures inactive, closing 1-8 to 1-2. December 98; May 102 3-4; July 100 1-8.

Corn—Spot irregular; No. 2, new 52 1-2 fob afloat. Futures without transactions, closing unchanged. May 56 3-4.

Oats—Spot steady; standard white 38 3-4; No. 2, 39 1-4; No. 3, 38 1-4; No. 4, 37 3-4. Futures without transactions, closing 1-4 lower; December 38; May 39 3-4; July 39 1-2.

Beef—Steady; mess 13.00 to 14.00; family 18.00 to 18.50; beef hams 24.50 to 27.00.

Lard—Firm; middle west prime 10.75 to 18.50; refined quiet; continental 12.50; south American 11.75, compound 8 3-4 to 9.

Petroleum—Steady; refined barrels 7.40; refined bulk 3.90.

Rosin—Quiet, strained common to good 6.15 to 6.20.

Turpentine—Quiet; machine barrels 80 1-2.

Rice—Steady; domestic 2 1-4 to 5 1-4; Patna 5 1-2 to 6.

Molasses—Quiet, New Orleans open kettle 30 to 50.

Sugar—Holiday.

Coton seed oil was steady for nearby deliveries, while later months were generally 1 to 4 points lower under reports of easier crude markets and lack of outside demand.

Trading was of holiday proportions. January 7.28 to 7.29; February 7.29 to 7.31; March 7.29 to 7.30; April 7.28 to 7.33; May 7.33 to 7.34.

Prime crude 6.33 asked; prime summer yellow 7.28 to 7.32; prime winter yellow 7.80 to 82; prime summer white 7.40 to 8.25.

Coffee—Futures steady net 2 points lower to 6 points higher.

Spot steady; Rio No. 7, 13 1-2; Santos No. 4, 13 7-8; mild coffee quiet; Cordova 13 3-4 to 15 3-4.

Butter—Quiet unchanged.

Cheese—Firm, unchanged.

Eggs—Steady, unchanged.

Potatoes—Easy, unchanged.

Cabbages—Steady, unchanged.

Freights and Peanuts—Unchanged.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 31.

No markets—holiday.

PRODUCE MARKET.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Dec. 31.)

PEANUTS—Virginias, extra prime 70 cents, fancy 75 cents. Spanish from $1.05 to $1.15 cents. North Carolina, No. 1, 90 to 95 cents per bushel. New crop.

CORN—Firm, 70c per bushel.

N. C. HAMS—Good demand; hams 22; shoulders 17 to 18 cents and side 17 to 18c.

EGGS—Good demand, 27 cents.

CHICKENS—Spring 25 to 40; grown, 45 and 50 cents, dull.

BEESWAX—Firm 27c.

TALLOW—Firm at 4 1-2 to 5c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 45 to 50 cents per bushel.

HIDES—Dr. flint 13c; green 7c per pound.

WOOL—Burr 12 to 15c; free of burr 18 to 20c.

GEESE—60 cents per head.

PORK—9 to 10 cents, net.

SHEEP—No demand.

LAMB—$1.00 to $2.50.

PEAS—white peas, $2.50 to $2.75.

IRISH POTATOES—New crop 80 to 90 cents, dull.

PEANUTS.

(Reported by Rodgers, McCabe & Co.)

Spanish—Firm, at $1.10 per bushel.

Virginias—Firm; Jumbo, 3¾c. to 4c.; Fancy Hand Picked, 3½c. to 3⅝c.; Machine Picked, 3c. to 3¼c.; Shelling Stock, 2½c.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Dec. 31.—The cotton goods markets rule quiet and steady. Yarns are quiet. Linens are firm and tending higher. Burlaps are steady with an advancing tendency due to the rise in jute. Suit was instituted during the day against a large New York retailer to enjoin the infringement of a new patent on sheets issued recently and concerning which a wide interest is shown in the dry goods trade.

DULL DAY IN STOCK MARKET

Final Day of Year Marked by Few Transactions—Important Announcement as to Steel Had No Effect.

New York, Dec. 31.—The final day of the year on the stock exchange was noteworthy only insofar that it was probably the dullest day even for half a session, since July 3, 1908, when the total sales amounted to about 74,000 shares.

Today's transactions aggregated about 94,000 shares and the day as a whole was without point or purpose. The list early manifested a drooping tendency, many of the active issues selling less than yesterday.

Announcement that one of the Pennsylvania mills of the United States Steel Corporation is to increase its operation early in the coming year was without effect on the steel shares which were heavy throughout as were also the other metal stocks.

Abroad the most interesting development was the strong demand for call money in London where the general rate was advanced to five per cent. at which figure the Bank of England loaned large sums. That institution suffered a further loss of gold, sending $1,000,000 to Egypt.

The bank statement was a surprise in most particulars, neither the average nor the actual tables showing the cash gain looked for, while loans increased heavily, the actual account showing an increase of practically $14,000,000.

The trust companies and non-member banks also reported an increase in loans but the amount was nominal.

Government bonds were unchanged on call during the week. Total sales $1,003,000. Total sales stocks for the day 93,600 shares.

THE BOND MARKET.

U. S. ref. 2s, registered	100¾
U. S. ref. 2s, coupon	100¾
U. S. 3s, registered	102
U. S. 3s, coupon	102
U. S. 4s, registered	115½
U. S. 4s, coupon	115½
Allis-Chalmers 1st5 s	75½
American Agricultural 5s	102
American Tel aand Tel cv. 4s	105¾
American Tobacco 4s	80
American Tobacco 6s	105½
Armour and Co. 4½s	92½
Atchison gen. 4s	99⅝
Atchison cv. 4s	105
Atchison cv. 5s	108¼
Atlantic Coast Line 1st 4s	94¼
Baltimore and Ohio 4s	99
Baltimore and Ohio 3½s	92½
Baltimore and Ohio S. W. 3½s	90¾
Brooklyn Transit cv. 4c	82⅞
Central of Georgia 5s	107½
Central Leather 5s	99¼
Central R. R. of N. J. gen 5s	121¾
Chesapeake and Ohio 4½s	101
Chesapeake and Ohio ref 5s	94
Chicago and Alton 3½s	70¾
Chicago, B. and Quincy joint 4s	95¾
Chicago, B. and Quincy, gen. 4s	97⅝
Chicago, Mil. and St. P. deb. 4s	92½
Chic., R. I. and Pac. R. R. col. 4s	77
Chicago, R. I. and Pac. Ry. rfg. 4s	80⅝
Colorado Industrial 5s	75¾
Colorado Midland 4s	68
Colo. and Southern ref. and ext. 4½s	97¼
Delaware and Hudson cv. 4s	98⅜
Denver and Rio Grande 4s	93
Denver and Rio Grande ref. 5s	80¾
Distillers' 5s	77⅝
Erie, prior lien 4s	85⅜
Erie gen. 4s	73
Erie cv. 4s, series "A"	74
Erie, cv. 4s, series "B"	69¼
General Electric cv. 5s	148⅛
Illinois Central 1st ref 4s	97
Interborough-Met. 4½s	79⅝
Inter.-Merc. Marine 4½s	82½
Japan 4s	89⅝
Japan 4½s	95⅜
Kansas City Southern 1st 3s	73¾
Lake Shore deb. 4s (1931)	93⅛
Louisville and Nashville Un. 4s	98¾
Missouir, Kan. and Texas 1st 4s	97⅜
Mo., Kan. and Texas gen. 4½s	88⅝
Missouri Pacific 4s	76
National Rys of Mexico 4½s	94⅜
New York Central gen. 3½s	89⅜
New York Central deb. 4s	93⅜
N. Y., N. H. and Hartford cv. 6s	133½
Norfolk and Western 1st con. 4s	99½
Norfolk and Western cv. 4s	100⅝
Northern Pacific 4s	100⅝
Northern Pacific 3s	70⅝
Oregon Short Line rfdg. 4s	93¼
Penn. cv. 3½s (1915)	96⅜
Penn. con. 4s	102¼
Reading, gen. 4s	98
St. Louis and San Fran fg. 4s	80⅞
St. Louis and San Fran gen. 5s	86⅜
St. Louis Southwestern con. 4s	76½
St. Louis Southwestern, 1st gold 4s	90
Seaboard Air Line 5s	76¾
Southern Pacific col. 4s	91½
Southern Pacific cv. 4s	97
Southern Pacific R. R. 1st ref. 4s	94½
Southern Railway 5s	107⅝
Southern Railway gen. 4s	75⅝
Union Pacific 4 s	101
Union Pacific cv. 4s	103
Union Pacific 1st and ref. 4s	96⅜
U. S. Rubber 6s	103¼
U. S. Steel 2nd 5s	104
Virginia-Carolina Chem. 5s	100½
Wabash 1st 5s	109
Wabash 1st and ext. 4s	83⅞
Western Maryland 4s	87
Weshinghouse Electric cv. 5s	92
Wisconsin Central	93⅝

CLOSING STOCK LIST.

Allis-Chalmers pfd	29
Amalgamated Copper	61½
American Agricultural	46½
American Beet Sugar	42¾
American Can	8⅝
American Car and Foundry	50
American Cotton Oil	58
American Hide and Leather, pfd	22¼
American Ice Securities	17½
American Linseed	11
American Locomotive	38¼
American Smelting and Refining	73⅜
Amer. Smelting and Ref., pfd	102¾
American Steel Foundries	43¼
American Sugar Refining	114¾
American Tel and Tel	140
American Tobacco, pfd	93¼
American Woolen	31
Anaconda Mining Co.	38¼
Atchison	100⅞
Atchison, pfd	100
Atlantic Coast Line	116⅝
Baltimore and Ohio	105½
Bethlehem Steel	29
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	74⅞
Canadian Pacific	195¼
Central Leather, pfd	103
Central Leather	31⅛
Central of New Jersey	280
Chesapeake and Ohio	80¼
Chicago and Alton	30
Chicago Great Western	21¼
Chicago Great Western, pfd	44½
Chicago and Northwestern	141⅝
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	122⅜
C., C., C. and St. Louis	69¼
Colorado Fuel and Iron	31¼
Colorado and Southern	56⅜
Consolidated Gas	135⅝
Corn Products	14½
Delaware and Hudson	165
Denver and Rio Grande	78⅝
Denver and Rio Grande, pfd	67
Distillers' Securities	31½
Erie	27⅝
Erie, 1st pfd	45⅜
Erie, 2nd pfd	34½
General Electric	151⅜
Great Northern pfd	128¾
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	56¼
Illinois Central	131
Interborough-Met.	19½
Interborough-Met. pfd	53½
Inter-Harvester	100½
Inter-Marine, pfd	15
International Paper	12⅜
International Pump	40
Iowa Central	17
Kansas City Southern	31½
Kansas City Southern, pfd	64½
Laclede Gas	106¼
Louisville and Nashville	144¼
Minneapolis and St. Louis	24
Minn., S. P. and Sault Ste Marie	129½
Missouri, Kansas and Texas, pfd	68
Missouir Pacific	46⅝
National Biscuit	117
National Lead	54
Nat. Rys of Mexico, 2nd pfd	35
New York Central	111½
New York, Ontario and Western	40½
Norfolk and Western	100¾
North American	65½
Northern Pacific	116
Pacific Mail	27⅜
Pennsylvania	128⅜
People's Gas	105¼
Pittsburg, C. C. and St. Louis	97
Pittsburg Coal	18
Pressed Steel Car	30
Pullman Palace Car	158
Railway Steel Spring	32
Reading	150⅝
Republic Steel, pfd	92¼
Rock Island Co	29⅜
Rock Island Co., pfd	50½
St. Louis and San Fran., 2nd pfd	38¼
St. Louis Southwestern	25
St. Louis Southwestern, pfd	58
Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron	49
Southern Pacific	115⅝
Southern Railway	26⅜
Southern Railway, pfd	61½
Tennessee Copper	34⅛
Texas and Pacific	25¾
Toledo, St. Louis and Western	23
Toledo, St. Louis and Western, pfd	52
Union Pacific	170⅛
Union Pacific, pfd	92
United States Realty	68½
United States Rubber	36½
United States Steel	72½
United States Steel, pfd	116⅝
Utah Copper	44⅝
Virginia-Carolina Chemical	62¼
Wabash	16
Wabash, pfd	33½
Western Maryland	50½
Westinghouse Electric	65½
Western Union	72½
Wheeling and Lake Erie	4½

THE GRAIN MARKET.

Chicago, December 31. — In the face of an official estimate that the Canadian wheat crop is 27,145,000 bushels more than he after harvest figures, leading bulls bought enough today to sustain the market. Discouraging prospects in western Europe particularly France, furnished a reason and there were also damage reports from the Punjab. Compared with last night prices closed ¼ higher to ⅝@⅞c. down. Latest sales showed corn ⅛ up to 1⅛c. off; oats, at a shade to ⅛@¼c. decline and hog products costing 2½ to 12½ more than 24 hours previous.

Wheat—No. 2, 94⅝@95¼; No. 3, red, 92⅝@94; N o. 2, hard, 94⅛@96; No. 3, hard, 92½@94½; No. 2, spring, 95@1.02; No. 3, spring, 93@1.00; No. 1, northern, 1.02@1.05½; No. 3, northern, 1.01@1.04; velvet chaff, 90@90; durnm, 82@91.

Corn—No. 2, 45½@46; No. 2, white, 45½@46; No. 2, yellow, 45⅝@46; No. 3, 44@44¼; No. 3, white, 44@44¼; No. 3, yellow, 44¼@44½; No. 4, 42¼@42⅜; No. 4, white, 42¼@42⅜; No. 4, yellow, 42¼@42⅜.

Oats—No. 2, 31¼; No. 2, white, 32⅜@33; No. 3, white, 31¼@32¼; No. 4, white, 31@31⅜; standard, 32¼@32½.

Wheat:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Dec	92⅞	92⅞	92⅝	92½
May	97	97⅛	96⅞	97
July	95⅜	95⅝	93⅞	93⅝
Corn				
Dec	47⅝	48	46	46¼
May	48⅝	48¾	48¼	48½
July	49½	49½	49⅛	49⅜
Sept	50⅛	50¼	50	50
Oats:				
Dec	31¼	31⅜	31	31⅜
May	34⅛	31⅜	31	31⅜
May	34⅛	34⅜	34	34
July	34	34⅛	33⅞	33⅞
Mess Pork, per bbl.				
Jan	19.67	19.70	19.60	19.65
May	18.85	18.87½	18.72½	18.82½
Lard, per 100 lbs.				
Jan	10.52	10.52	10.45	10.45
May	10.20	10.25	10.15	10.20
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.				
Jan	10.35	10.35	10.27	10.32
May	9.80	9.87	9.80	9.82

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston—Steady; net receipts, 9,249; gross receipts, 9,249; stock, 267,417.

New Orleans—Steady, 14 11-16; net receipts, 22,001; gross receipts, 22,091; stock 235,122; continent, 6,400; coastwise, 1,247.

Mobile—Nominal, 14 11-16; net receipts, 2,698; gross receipts, 2,698; stock, 65,158; constwise, 57.

Savannah—Holiday; net receipts, 3,869 gross receipts, 3,869; stock, 192,864; coastwise, 2,188.

Charleston—Net receipts, 965; gross receipts, 965; stock, 44,577; constwise, 1,807.

Wilmington—Quiet, 14½; net receipts, 1,936; gross receipts, 1,936; stock, 25,024.

Norfolk—Steady, 22.30; net receipts, 2,230; gross receipts, 2,230; stock, 32,503; constwise, 3,457.

Baltimore—Nominal, 14¾; stock, 10,402.

New York—Holiday; stock, 289,899.

Boston—Quiet, 15.00; net receipts, 164; gross receipts, 1,854; stock, 9,555; continet, 100.

Philadelphia—Quiet, 1,525; gross receipts, 400; stock, 3,025.

Brunswick—Net receipts, 798; gorss receipts, 798; continent, 5,196.

Total today, at all ports—Net, 44,000; continent, 11,696; stock, 1,175,636.

Consolidated, at all ports—Net, 44,000; continent, 11,696.

Total since Sept. 1, at all ports—Net, 6,063,061; Great Britain, 2,154,780; France, 537,223; continent, 1,389,539; Japan, 53,521; Mexico, 1,215.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

Houston—Net receipts, 9,508; gross receipts, 9,508; shipments, 12,290; stock, 127,896.

Augusta—Not received.

Memphis—Not received.

St. Louis—Net receipts, 528; gross receipts, 8,193; shipments, 8,193; stock, 21,117.

Cincinnati—Net receipts, 1,346; gross receipts, 1,346; shipments, 1,813; sales, 400; stock, 17,081.

Louisville—Firm, 15⅜.

Little Rock—Firm, 14¾; net receipts, 1,200; gross receipts, 1,200; shipments, 2,436; stock, 4,. 90.

No totals given.

THE FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, Dec. 31.—Money on call nominal. Time loans dull sixty days and ninety days 3 3-4 per cent. Six months 3 3-4 to 4 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4 1-2 to 5 per cent. Sterling exchange with actual business in bankers bills at 4.82 to 4.8225 for sixty day bills and at 4.8525 for demand. Commercial bills 481 3-4 to 7-8. Bar silver 54 1-8. Mexican dollars 45.

NAVAL STORES.

New York, December 31.—Turpentine quiet.

Charleston, December 31. — Turpentine firm, 77. Rosin, firm. Quote: A B C 5.82½@6.05; D 5.82½@6.05; E 5.87½@6.05; F 5.90@6.07½; G 5.92½@6.10; H 5.95@6.10; I 6.10; K 6.70; M 7.00@7.10; N 7.00@7.10; W G 7.25; W W 7.35.

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JUDGES SWORN IN.

Allen and Daniels Take the Oath—Goldsboro Affairs.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Goldsboro, N. C., Dec. 31.—Justice W. R. Allen and Judge F. A. Daniels, the former elected on the Supreme Court and the latter on the Supreme Court bench, each took the oath of office in this city today before Judge O. H. Allen, older brother of Justice Allen.

The death of Mrs. T. B. Jenkins occurred in this city yesterday after a lingering illness of many months. She is survived by her husband and three small children, her parents, a sister and several brothers. The funeral will be held from the home this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The family of John Henry Edgerton, deceased, and his wife, Sarah, have been holding a reunion in Goldsboro this week, which has been unique in every respect. There are in all 36 living children and grandchildren. This splendid family is true to the Roosevelt ideal, and has the distinction of numbering 13 living children, who with their wives and husbands, are visitors with brothers and sisters at the reunion holding forth in this city, which is not a common one-day or week-end affair, but one that began Christmas Eve and will continue over New Years. Mrs. Sarah Edgerton, the mother and grandmother, is a woman of vigor and beauty and is the center of the devotion of this relationship.

His host of friends throughout the State will be glad to learn that Mr. John Albert Grantham, who recently underwent a serious operation at St. Luke's Hospital in Richmond, is doing fine and on the sure road to permanent recovery.

FOUND DEAD AFTER WEEKS.

Husband Lived in House With Dead Wife and Daughter.

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 31.—For three weeks, while the dead bodies of his wife, Anna and three year old daughter, Hermina, lay decomposing in an upstairs room, Herman Mielke ate and slept in a downstairs room at home.

Mielke, who is a paroled workhouse prisoner went to police court today to report to Probation Officer Vining. While there he told Vining that he had just discovered the death of his wife and daughter.

Mielke said that he and his wife quarreled two weeks ago because he kicked their collie dog and that he had not seen her or the child since. He said he supposed she had run away, until today when odors issuing from her bedroom led him to investigate. He claimed that he found a bottle that had contained chloroform by her side.

The authorities following their investigation hold to the theory that the woman killed the child and then herself, with chloroform and that the husband discovered their bodies shortly after death, but was too demented to make a report.

PORTUGAL SITUATION.

Report of Another Revolt is Now Denied.

Washington, Dec. 31.—Viscount De Alte, the Portuguese minister, today gave out the following as part of the text of a cablegram received from his government in reply to one which he sent yesterday asking about the reports of a critical situation in Portugal.

"There is no evidence of disaffection in the army or the navy and the vessels which were ordered to sail to Madeira principally on account of the measures to cope with the cholera situation there, carried out their orders with the strictest obedience to the government.

"Even religious dissensions have disappeared since the religious orders were dissolved.

"No conspiracies are being hatched, even by the monarchists, and the only ones who try to create trouble are those who fear the consequences of their financial misdemeanors and who with that end in view invent alarming rumors. Everything is being prepared for the elections to take place in April next."

THE ALPHA TAU OMEGAS.

Officers of Fraternity Elected at Atlanta, Ga.

Atlanta, Ga., December 31. —John N. Vander Vries, province chief of Lawrence, Kans., was elected worthy grand chief of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity at the final session of the 22nd biennial congress here today. Other officers elected are:

Worthy Grand Chaplain, Bishop Miss.; Worthy Grand Keeper of the Exchequer, G. D. Ellsworth, Washington, D. C.; Worthy High Chancellor Shepard Bryan, Atlanta, Ga.; High Council George Maguire, Worcester Mass.; Congress Orator, Judge Roland Braggott, Dayton, O.; Congress Poet Harry E. Harman, Atlanta, Ga.

The new officers were installed just before adjournment, and the meeting place for 1912 was left to the high council.

MOVE OKLAHOMA CAPITAL.

Governor Orders Military Companies to be in Readiness.

Oklahoma City, Okla., Dec. 31.—Two companies of State militia almost got into action in the State Capitol removal fight today. Hearing that Guthrie citizens had interfered with the removal of three wagon loads of State records, which were being taken to a railroad station for shipment here, Governor Haskell ordered military companies A. and B., of Tulsa and Chandler, respectively, to stand in readiness to move to Guthrie.

A short time later the governor learned over a telephone that Guthrie citizens would make no objections to the removal of the records and no further trouble is expected.

Lexington, Ky., December 31. —Burley tobacco growers in many counties of Kentucky met at county seats today and elected delegates to the general convention at Lexington January 5th, which will consider plans of combination among the planters.

St. Petersburg, December 31.—The cabinet today approved the submission to the duma of a further appropriation of $75,000,000 for the Black Sea fleet, in connection with Turkish armaments.

A SUCCESSOR TO DEPEW.

Contest Now Shifts From New York to Albany.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 31.—The scene of the contest for the election of a United States Senator to succeed Senator Chauncey M. Depew, has shifted from New York to Albany. Charles F. Murphy, leader of Tammany Hall, arrived today.

Mr. Murphy called on Governor-elect Dix at his home for half an hour, but both declared that the United States Senatorship was not discussed.

National Democratic Committeeman Norman E. Mack, of Buffalo, and State Committeeman William E. Fitzpatrick, of Buffalo, conferred wth Charles F. Murphy tonight on the Senatorship. They are in favor of the election of William F. Sheehan.

SPANISH CABINET ACTS.

Voted to Present Its Resignation to King Alfonso.

Madrid, Dec. 31.—The cabinet held a meeting this afternoon and voted to present its resignation to King Alfonso tomorrow, but to accompany the resignation with the statement that it was ready to submit to a vote of confidence.

The situation is not considered to partake of the nature of a ministerial crisis. Premier Canalejas, who considers that a great part of his programme has been accomplished, merely wishes a renewed expression of the support of the King after which he will likely reorganize the cabinet with possibly a change in the ministers of public instruction, interior and public works.

SARAH BERNHARDT'S PLAYS.

Actress Finished Four Weeks' Engagement in New York.

New York, December 31. — Mme Sarah Bernhardt concluded a four weeks' engagement here tonight and wrote into dramatic history some interesting figures which, considering the fact that the French actress is 67 years old, are not likely to be approached for years. Mme. Bernhardt has in four weeks given 37 performances, appearing in several plays and playing to gross receipts of $115,431 an average of $3,000 a performance. During this time she has also rehearsed and produced two new plays. The actress gave no evidence today of the physical strain imposed upon her by the task.

GRAND LODGE I. O. O. F.

Getting Ready for Big Meeting in Winston in May.

Winston-Salem, N. C., Dec. 31.—A committee from the North Carolina Grand Lodge I. O. O. F., met here Thursday night at the Hotel Zinzendorf and made plans for the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge here in May. Between 300 and 400 members and delegates are expected. The committee was composed of Grand Master F. D. Hackett, of North Wilkesboro; Deputy Grand Master W. H. Overton, of Durham; Grand Secretary B. H. Woodell, of Raleigh, and Past Grand Master J. F. Griffith, of this city.

EXTRA SESSION CALLED.

Panama Assembly to Consider Number of Matters.

Panama, Dec. 31.—An extraordinary session of the Assembly has been called by the executive. All power works and proposed improvements in the republic have been suspended by reason of lack of funds. There is a big deficit, the result, it is said, of unnecessary government employes and costly diplomatic and consular services. The government announces an increase in import duties.

Gulfport, Miss., Dec. 31.—Surrounded by hundreds of thirsty mourners, who were kept back by a cordon of police, chief of Police Corbett, assisted by jail attaches and the fire department, late yesterday evening destroyed $3,000 worth of confiscated liquor which had accumulated in the city's depository.

Rio Janeiro, December 31. — The sessions of Congress ended today. The national budget of 1911 approximates $100,000,000. A 20 per cent preferential duty is granted the same American products as last year. Congress has permanently fixed an exchange of 32 cents, gold, for the milreis.

New Orleans, Dec. 11.—What is said to be the largest shipment of tea ever to go out of New Orleans con signed to one concern was sent yesterday to Dallas, Texas. The shipment consisted of an entire carload imported direct from China by a New Orleans company.

Oklahoma City, Okla., December 31. —Governor Haskell has ordered companies A and B, of the State militia to be in readiness to proceed to Guthrie by special train in case their aid is necessary, in connection with the removal of State records.

Paterson, N. J., Dec. 31.—An explosion in a tenement, attributed to the "Black Hand," caused the death of a man and the serious injury of two women and a child here today.

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 31.—Y. M. C. A. 38; Washington and Lee, 19.

To Drive Out Malaria And Build Up The System.

Take the Old Standard GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC. You know what you are taking. The formula is plainly printed on every bottle, showing it is simply Quinine and Iron in a tasteless form, and the most effectual form. For grown people and children 50c.

Business Locals

bring sure and certain results when used to advertise houses for sale or rent, articles lost or found, situations or help wanted, etc. This is the rate:

25 Words, 25c

6 Special Bargains

To Be Had During This Week at

Gaylord's

2,000 yards of heavy China Matting, standard 30c quality, this week 20c
Factory Remnants of Oil Cloth, one yard wide 22c
Factory Remnants, five feet wide, per yard 38c
Bound Velvet Rugs of extra heavy material, 27x54 inches $1.50
Tapestry Brussel Rugs, quality of the best 22x54 inches 98c
Tapestry Brussels, 16x27 inches 38c

Rare Hat Bargains

$10.00 white Beavers $5.00
$6.98 black Beavers $4.48
$3.50 Bengaline Silk, ... $1.50
$3.50 Silk Hats, with velvet facing, ... $1.48
Child's $1.00 Mushroom Hats, ... 59c

Furs! Furs!

What we have left will be closed out during this week at prices that will please the buyer.

SHOES!

Men's $4.50 Crossett Shoes, this week $3.10
Men's $5.00 Dunlap Shoes, this week $3.90
The above listed articles will be sold at these prices during this week only.

210, 212, 214 N. Front St.

J. M. SOLKY & CO.

The One Price Clothiers and Furnishers.

The Store for the Gifts of Men

Every counter and show case in our store is a Christmas tree. You can pick and make your selection of the latest and up-to-date

Men's and Boys' Suits,
Gloves and Handkerchiefs,
Neckwear and Collars,
Hats and Caps,
Socks and Garters,

and other useful articles that man or child can wear. Call in, and what you buy now we will hold and lay aside for you and send it when ever you desire.

J. M. Solky & Co.

Phone 617. Masonic Temple.

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Pale Export BEER

This is to notify our customers that they can secure this popular brand by sending their orders to Petersburg, Va.

4 Doz. Bottles F. O. B. Petersb'g, $3.00.
10 Doz. Bottles F. O. B. Petersb'g, $7.50.

DARLEY PARK BREWING COMPANY

G. MORGAN KNIGHT, Manager. PETERSBURG, VA.

Clinchfield Coal

LARGE LUMPS, FREE BURNING, NO CLINKERS, OAK and PINE WOOD. CUT TO SUIT.

BUILDING SUPPLIES

LIME, PLASTER, CEMENT SHINGLES, ETC. WE RESPECTFULLY SOLICIT YOUR ORDERS.

W. B. THORPE & CO.

Phone 789

THE WEATHER

U. S. Department of Agriculture Weather Bureau.

Wilmington, N. C., January 1, 1911.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending 8 P. M. Friday, December 30th:

Temperature at 8 A. M. 30 degrees; 8 P. M. 43 degrees; maximum 45 degrees; minimum, 29 degrees; mean 37 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; for the month 1.30 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M., Saturday 7 feet.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Rain, warmer Sunday, brisk east winds; Monday rain, colder in west portion.

Port Calendar—January 1st.

Sun Rises .....7.18 A. M.
Supn Sets .....5.14 P. M.
Day's Length.....9 hrs. 56 min.
High water at Southport 8.27 A. M.
High water at Wilmington 11.27 A. M.

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

December 31, 1910.

STATIONS.	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature Highest Today.	Temperature Lowest last night.	24-hour precipitation, 8 P. M.
Asheville	cloudy	36	24	.0
Atlanta	raining	46	38	.0
Charleston	cloudy	46	38	.0
Charlotte	cloudy	38	28	.0
Chicago	pt. cloudy	40	24	.0
Galveston	raining	58	46	.16
Jacksonville	raining	58	50	.26
New Orleans	cloudy	54	40	.0
New York	clear	26	12	.0
Pittsburg	clear	36	16	.0
Raleigh	cloudy	38	26	.0
St. Louis	clear	46	28	.0
Washington	clear	34	22	.0

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

I. Shrier—New Year.
I. Shrier—A Happy Smile.
A. O. Schuster—Best Wishes.
People's Savings Bank—Special.
Gaylord's—Six Special Bargains.
C. W. Polvogt Co.—Reductions.
Academy—"The Merry Widow."
S. P. Cowan, Sheriff—Last Call.
Platt & Haar—Happy New Year.
J. H. Redher & Co.—Inventory Sale.
John D. Bellamy, Jr.—New Series Stock
People's Savings Bank—Interest Quarter.

Business Locals.

Lighthouse—Oysters.
For Sale—Barber Shop.
To Let—Room and Board.
U. S. Calendar Co.—Wanted.
B. F. Keith—Saw Mill for Sale.
Mrs. Sykes—Switches, Puffs, Etc.
Lighthouse—Automobile Owners.
Kress & Co.—To Exchange Dray.
For Sale—Four-Seated Automobile.
Rapid Stenographer—Desires Position.
D. M. Thompson—Bloodhounds for Sale.
Wanted—Position as Assistant Bookkeeper.
Wanted — Position as Book-keeper or Stenographer.
Moler Barber College—Men to Learn Barber Trade.

READY FOR POSTAL BANKS.

Board of Trustees Met With Hitchcock Yesterday.

Washington, December 31. — Everything is in readiness for the new postal savings bank to begin operations. The board of trustees met at the office of Postmaster General Hitchcock today and concluded their preparations for the opening of the system on January 3rd, the first business day of the new year.

The board adopted a resolution fixing for the time being the rate of interest to be charged in depository banks for deposits at 2 1-2 per cent payable semi-annually, on January 1st and July 1st.

The postmasters at the forty-eight initial depositaries comprising one in each State and territory, have returned to their posts, after receiving full instructions at Washington, and clerks in the postoffices have been selected to handle the postal savings work. A supply of certificates of deposit to be used by depositors as evidence of the amounts they deposit have been forwarded to each of the designated offices, with all the printed forms and the postal savings business in accordance with the plan adopted by the board of trustees.

SOUTHERN CLUB MADE MERRY.

Clinking Glasses Ring Out Old and Ring in New.

New York, Dec. 31.—A smack of true Southern hospitality was added to the gust of New Year's in New York tonight by the members of the newly formed Southern Club of the city, who kept open house for their friends. It was the first reception of the club and was graced with Southern cheer and good fellowship. The club rooms were thronged with guests and promptly on the stroke of 12 the sound of clinking glasses rang out the old and rang in the new. President Mirabeau L. Towns presided, assisted by Dr. W. E. Fitch, first vice preseident.

"CHIEF" MITCHELL RELEASED.

Gypsy at Wadesboro Charged With Criminal Assault.

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 31.—Mitchell recovered by the Gypsy clans of the country as their king was released on $3,000 bond by Judge Adams at Carthage today. Criminal assault is the charge against him. Two prominent citizens of Wadesboro certified to the bond. Fourteen other Gypsies indicted with him were granted two hundred dollar bonds.

The rebellious clan is encamped within the city of Wadesboro under police protection.

ARE VOTING DRY.

Clifton Forge, Houston and South Boston Don't Want It.

Clifton Forge, Va., Dec. 31.—At a local option election held here today, the drys won by a majority of 184. The town has been without saloons some time. The towns of Houston, Va., and South Boston, Va., also voted dry today to remain without saloons.

Grand Theatre.

Be sure and see When Lovers Part. **

OIL TRUST CASE TRIAL AT RALEIGH

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vatism will be insisted upon along all lines. The message is certain to take a very strong stand for the most effective steps possible for getting all personal property on the books for taxation, the view being that if this was done the revenue of the State would be greatly increased and the burden of taxation would be much more evenly distributed. Household and kitchen furniture and various other classes of personal property are, it is said, woefully negative as a tax-listing factor and the desire is to work out some plan by which this can be remedied.

Director T. B. Parker, of the Farmers' Institute Division, announces a series of institutes to be held in the Northeastern, Southeastern and Central sections of the State during January and February. One of the parties, that for the Northeastern section, begins January 9th at Halifax and closes at Robersonvile February 8th. The Central party starts at Smithfield January 16th and closes at Bear Pond School February 11th and the Southeastern party starts at Lillington January 9th and closes at Creedmoor February 10th. The dates follow:

Northeastern dates: Halifax, January 9; Scotland Neck, January 10; Farmville, January 11; Grimesland, January 12; Aurora, January 13; Washington, January 14; Pantego, January 16; Swan Quarter, January 17; Middletown, January 18; Fairfield, January 19; Mackey's Ferry, January 21; Columbia, January 23; Greswell, January 24; Edenton, January 25; Hertford, January 26; Currituck, January 27; Camden, January 28; Elizabeth City, January 30; Gatesville, January 31; Winton, February 1; Rich Square, February 2; Ahoskie, February 3; Windsor, February 4; Plymouth, February 6; Williamston, February 7; Robersonville, February 8.

Central Party: Smithfield, January 16; Falling Creek, 77; Faison, 18; Clinton, 19; Kenansville, 20; Delway, High School, 21; Hood Swamp, 23; Snow Hill, 24; Kinston, 25; Richlands, 26; Trenton, 27; Jacksonville, 28; Polocksville, 30; Bayboro, 31; Newbern, February 1; Wilson, 2; Manteo, 3; Nashville, 4; Whitakers, 6; Jackson, 7; Littleton, 8; Warrenton, 9; Middleburg, 10; Bear Pond School, 11.

Southeastern Party: Lillington, January 9; Duke, 10; Parkton, 11; Rowland, 12; Pembroke, 13; Laurinburg, 14; Tar Heel, 16; Lumberton, 17; Council, 18; Castle Haynes, 19; Chadbourn, 20; Tarbor, 21; Old Dock, 23; Ashe, 24; Shallotte, 25; Supply, 26; Bolivia, 27; Burgaw, 28; Atkinson, 30; Garland, 31; Roseboro, February 1; Fayetteville, 2; Wade, 3; Louisburg, 7; Franklinton, 8; Oxford, 9; Creedmoor, 10.

Three new corporations were chartered today. Union Cash Store (Inc.,) Mt. Airy, capital $25,000 by J. D. Smith and others; The Baker-Smith Co., Mt. Airy, capital $25,000 and The J. W. Rose Drug Co., Rocky Mount, capital $25,000 by W. S. Moye and others.

DR. PATTERSON RETIRES.

Oldest College President Leaves Kentucky University.

Lexington, Ky., Dec. 31.—James K. Patterson, LL. D., Ph. D., and fellow of the Royal Geographical Society of Great Britain today formally ended his tenure of office as president of the State University of Kentucky. He has held the place 40 years and in point of service was the oldest college president in America. His successor will be Henry S. Barker until today chief justice of the Kentucky Court of Appeals.

Dr. Patterson was born in Scotland in 1833. With Justin Morrill of Vermont, he successfully carried through Congress Morrill act of 1890 which gave $25,000 a year to each State of the Union for the further endowment of State universities and colleges established under the land grants of 1862.

NEW ENGLAND GALE.

Several Vessels in Distress and Others are Expected Later.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 31.—A frigid northwest gale that swept down upon New England last night and early today made its last raid of 1910 among the coastwise fleet of this section of the Atlantic and by tonight five schooners had been towed to Shelter, badly damaged, and three others in a crippled condition, had made safe anchorages. No actual disaster had been reported tonight, but shipping men were fearful that the full list of accidents had not been reported.

TRAVIS WINS AT GOLF.

Former Champion Takes Honors at Pinehurst.

Pinehurst, N. C., December 31. — In the final round of the seventh annual holiday week golf tournament today, Walter J. Travis, of Garden City, former American and British champion, defeated Paul M. Hunter of Midlothian, two up and one to play

Homer Boyer, of Southboro, won the consolation. Other div.sions winners were:

A. M. Robbins, of Garden City; G W. Adair, of Atlanta, and Richard S Tufts, of Boston.

Westfield, Mass., Dec. 31.—Following the discovery of an alleged shortage of nearly $60,000 in the funds of the Westfield Savings Bank the treasurer of the institution, Velenus W. Crowson was placed under arrest and arraigned in court tonight. According to a statement issued by State Bank Commissioner Arthur D. Chapin, Crowson has confessed to misappropriation of the funds of the bank.

Guyaquil, Ecuador, Dec. 31.—The candidacy for the presidency of General Flavio Alfaro, military commander of Guyaquil, and former minister of war and marine, is proclaimed. It appears that he has the support of the army. Encounters between the members of rival campaign clubs occurred today. In such a row last night several persons were injured.

ANNUTL REVIEW TRADE CONDITIONS

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serious concern. For example, the October report of the Interstate Commerce Commission reported a gain of $2,600,000 in earnings and an increase in expense of $13,700,000, showing a loss in net earings for that month of about $11,000,000 which in view of the increased capitalization of the railroads was anything but a satisfactory result. These increases in expenses arise chiefly from concessions made to labor; concessions which could be ill-afforded and which managers are not trying to pass on to shippers by securing permission from the Interstate Commerce Commission to make some advances in rates. Doubtless reasonable advances will be allowed, but the railroad outlook would be an uncomfortable one were there to be any important shrinkage in tariff.

The tremendous amount of new capital issues, which has been going on for several years, is significant and unquestionably has much to do with the present state of inertia in the financial world. The bulk of these applications were on account of the railroads which have been obliged to spend enormous sums to meet the demands of growing traffic and whose call upon the money market are likely ta continue for some time to come. It is this excessive call for new capital which has had muc to do with present reaction. So heavy an increase in the offerings of new securities, coupled with the dimiution of savings through universal extravagance in business and in the home, largely explain the exhaustion of investors and the over expansion of credit. HENRY CLEWS.

MAXTON NOTES.

Masonic Anniversary—Personal and General News Items.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Maxton, N. C., Dec. 31.—Maxton Lodge No. 417, A. F. & A. M. celebrated their 21st anniversary last night by giving a banquet. A course supper was served after which Rev. A. A. McClelland was called upon to tell some of the reasons "Why a Man Should be a Mason." He was followed by Dr. H. G. Hill, who made a short talk on "The Ladies." Dr. Tyer spoke for about 20 minutes on "Fraternal Relations," then came Mr. R. W. Livermore, of Pates, N. C., and Capt. W. H. McLaurin, of Laurinburg, both making interesting speeches on subjects of their own choosing. Hon. G. B. Patterson acted as toastmaster. Music was furnished by the orchestra. The reception lasted from 8 to 12 o'clock and from all indications every minute of the time was thoroughly enjoyed and those who were so fortunate as to attend will look forward with a great deal of pleasure to the next anniversary of Maxton Lodge No. 417.

Rev. William Black, of Charlotte, is in town for a few days visiting relatives and friends who are always glad to welcome him to "Queen" Maxton.

The Presbyterian Sunday School gave a Christmas tree Tuesday evening. The exercises were splendid, Santa Claus was there and all the children were happy.

Mr. A. A. McGregor and family have moved into the residence recently vacated by Mr. Everett, on South Patterson street. Most of the school boys and girls who have been attending the various colleges are at home enjoying the holidays with their parents.

ROBIN WILL RECOVER.

Banker Who Took Poison Will be Arraigned Soon.

New York, Dec. 31.—Unless Joseph G. Robin suffers an unexpected relapse he will be in physical condition to face arraignment on the grand larceny charge resting against him by Tuesday night, when the case will be called before Judge Crain in the Court of General Sessions. Physicians at Bellevue Hospital in the prison wards of which the banker has been confined since he collepsed in court yesterday from the effects of self-administered dose of poison, said today that he was recovering rapidly. A special nurse is constantly on guard in his room.

Another of the corporations promoted by Robin felt the fall of the Northern Bank today when the South Shore Traction Company was ordered into the hands of a receiver by Judge Chatfield, of the United States Circuit Court in Brooklyn. The company is capitalized at $2,000,000 and was organized for the operation of a railroad across the Queensboro Bridge.

From figures at hand today it appears that the city is a depositor with the Northern Bank to the extent of $203,000. Of this sum $150,000 is bonded, but the $53,000 is uninsured.

Aldershot, England, Dec. 31.—Capt. Frank Cody, head of the ballooning department of the British War Office, today won the British Michelin cup for duration and distance for 1910 for flying 190 miles in four hours and 50 minutes. The flight ended when Cody's aeroplane accidentally touched the ground.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Rebecca Joseph Bunting, relict of Jos. Erwin Bunting, will be held this (Sunday) afternoon, at 3 o'clock, from Grace Methodist church; thence to Oakdale cemetery. Friends and acquaintances invited to attend.

NOTICE.

I have decided to give delinquent taxpayers one more chance to save the costs. Taxes paid before Friday, January 6th, will be received without costs. Please bear in mind this is the last call.

ja 1-1t. S. P. COWAN, Sheriff.

NEW SERIES OF STOCK.

The Citizens' Building and Loan Association will issue on Saturday, January 7th, 1911, a new series of stock.

Shares may be reserved by notifying the undersigned.

JOHN D. BELLAMY, Jr.,
ja1-6-2t Secretary.

SUSPENSION OF TARIFFS.

On Various Railroads Made by Commerce Commission.

Washington, Dec. 31.—Additional suspensions of the tariffs of various railroads in connection with the cancellation of divisions of rate with tap lines were made today by the Interstate Commerce Commision. The tariffs suspended affect 587 carriers. The cancellations are suspended from January 5, 1911 until April 15, 1911, or until such time as the commission may announce a final order in the cases.

A continuation of the New Orleans hearing in the tap line cases will be hed in St. Louis, Mo., on January 23, 1911, before Commisioner Harlan. The cases will be argued orally before the full commission in Washington, March 15, 1911.

Etampes, France, December 31. — Henry Farman today failed to beat the record of 362.66 miles, made yesterday by Maurica Tabuteau, in the contest for the Michelin prize. Farman was compelled to land, after covering 486 kilometers (302 miles) on account of the breaking of an oil tube.

STAR BUSINESS LOCALS

Advertisements inserted under this head one cent per word for each insertion but no advertisement taken for less than 25c. Additional words, more than 25, one cent per word. Unless the advertiser has a regular account, all advertisements under this head are STRICTLY CASH IN ADVANCE, the amount being too small to warrant a charge. The Star will send without charge, A. D. T. (Western Union) Messenger to any address in the city for advertisements in this department upon request by 'Phone to No. 51. A. D. T. Messenger will also call for telegrams for the Western Union Telegraph Co., or for notes or small packages to be delivered anywhere in the city. No charge for the telegrams but a small charge for strictly A. D. T. calls or telephone subscribers may at any time telephone their telegrams, bills rendered to suit the sender, daily, weekly or monthly. For this service call Western Union, 'Phone No. 2. But for advertisements always call the Star office No. 51. Copy for Business Locals cannot be taken over the telephone but upon request Messenger will be dispatched to any part of the city for them.

FOR SALE—One nine-horse power dos-a-dos type and four-seated automobile in good condition. Very low figure. Lock Box 385. ja1-1t*

FOR SALE — On very easy terms, a good-paying barber shop. Reason, must leave city. Address "barber," care Star. ja1-1t*

FOR SALE—One pair of thoroughbred bloodhounds, 12 months old, trained and ready for service. Will sell at a bargain if sold at once. D. M. Thompson, chief of police. Whiteville, N. C. ja1-3*

WANTED—By a young man with six years experience, position as book-keeper Address "Stenographer," care the Morning Star. ja1-4t*

WANTED—Men to learn barber trade. Only few weeks required. Wages after first month. Steady position guaranteed. Write for catalogue. Moler's Barber College, 207 Bowery, New York City. ja1-5t*

WANTED—Position as assistant bookkeeper. Am willing to work for small wages. Address, "B. K.," care Star. ja1-1t*

SIDE LINE TRAVELING salesmen make $30 to $50 weekly, handling our latest production of advertising fans. Liberal terms. Apply at once, United States Calendar Co., Cincinnati. ja1-1t*

SWITCHES, $1.00; puffs, three for 50 cents; made from combings and cut hair Mail orders solicited. Mrs. Sykes, 16 North Ninth street, 'phone 1070. ja1-1t*

RAPID STENOGRAPHER, familiar with law and railroad work, and able to keep books, and do general office work, desires position. State salary. Address "Z," care Star. ja1-1t

WANT TO EXCHANGE, good dray for a cart, or will sell same cheap. Apply to W. P. Duncan, at S. H. Kress & Co. ja1-1t*

SAWMILL FOR SALE—Near Cronly, on Cape Fear river, splendid location for timber; capacity, 12,000. New, up-to-date will sell at sacrifice. B. F. Keith, Wilmington, N.C. ja1-1t

NEW YEAR SUGGESTION—Watch the old year out and the New Year in, while enjoying a delicious roast of Myrtle Grove oysters, at the Lighthouse, Wrightsville Sound. Open so long as patrons desire. 'Phone 855, ring 3. ja1-1t

AUTOMOBILE OWNERS attention. — Watch the old year out and the New Year in while enjoying a delicious roast o Myrtle Grove oysters at the lighthouse Wrightsville Sound. While the Yule logs give a cheerful blaze and comforting warmth. 'Phone advance order 855, ring 3. Open so long as patrons desire. ja1-1t

CAN ACCOMMODATE one or two gentlemen with room and board, at 116 Grace street. 'Phone 997. ja1-1t*

ROOMS AND BOARD for three or four young men; pleasant rooms, good table board and every modern convenience; telephone, electric lights. Terms reasonable. Address "H. T. J.," Star. ja1-1t*

WANTED—At once, competent lady stenographer, with some knowledge of light book-keeping. One out of city preferred. Address P. O. Box 664, Wilmington, N. C. de31-tf

FOR SALE—A nice truck farm, containing fifteen acres, nine of which are cleared one acre in strawberries, one nice tenant house fronting the Wilmington and Burgaw road. Well drained and good location one-half miles from Rocky Point depot To be sold for cash. Apply to W. H. Malpass, Rocky Point, N. C. de31-1w

WANTED—Young man with some knowledge of shorthand. Address in own handwriting, "Wholesale," care Star. de31-2*

WANTED—Immediately, honest, energetic man or woman in every town to make from $5 daily up, selling our automobile specialties. M. S. Ramberg, 2,030 Main street, Columbia, S. C. de31-3t*

SALE OF HAMS TODAY—North Carolina and Western smoked hams, only 20 cents per pound. Pig jowls and peas. Best lot of dressed turkeys of season. Also dressed cockens. Give us you order today for New Year's. Palace Market Company. 'Phone 72. de31-tf

WANTED AT ONCE, competent male stenographer, with office experience. References required. Address P. O. Box 235 de31-3t

ELECTRIC IRONS—Ironing is made easy by the electric iron. Ask the Tidewater Power Co. de30-1w

MOVED TO 519 North Second, near Union Station. Monuments and headstones. (Tuckers) Wilmington Granite & Marble Works, residence No. 308 Grace street, 'phone 702. ja 1-1t.*

LOST—String of gold beads with locket attached, initials "G. T." on locket, at Boys' Brigade armory last night. Finder will please return to the armory. jan 1-1t

FOR RENT—Large front room for two gentlemen or couple. Every modern convenience, electric lights, telephone, fine table board. Strictly private family residence. "Central," care Star. de30-3t

WANTED—Salesman of ability and neat appearance, to call on merchants in their territory; elegant side line; convenient to carry; good commissions; prompt remittance. A-278, Belmont Manufacturing Co., Cincinnati, Ohio. de25-su10t*

THE PROFESSIONAL tailor can furnish you anything you may want in the merchant tailoring line. All work guaranteed at modern prices. Leger Meyer, Princess street, Princess Building, Second floor. de 12-su-tf.

WANTED—Traveling salesman. Salary nd expenses. Big demand for our goods. Answer quick as territory is limited. Sales Manager, N. 207 South Commercial street, St. Louis, Mo. ja 9 eo su 26t

FOR SALE—Ludwig upright standard piano, mahogany finish. A bargain to someone who desires a first-class instrument. Apply to Mrs. J. H. Niggel, 411 Walnut street, or call 'phone 227. nov. 15-tf.

FOR SALE OR RENT—By January 1st, complete novelty plant. Address for particulars, N. K. Cashwell, Fairmont, N. C. de 14-17t

WANTED—Two or three young men to board in private family. Nice front rooms with privilege of bath and phone. Address "S. F. D.," care Star. de29-ja1-2t

I THANK one and all my shippers of raw furs and produce for all past shipments and trust to be favored with your future business. C. D. Gilbert. de28-tf

TO THE LADIES—Has it ever occurred to you how far a dozen of your photographs will go in remembering your friends at Christmas time. A well executed photograph is a most acceptable remembrance. We make the kind that pleases. Foltz & Kendrick, Southern Building. nov. 6-tf.

WAKE UP! Spread out! Advertise! Multigraph imitation typewritten circulars, cheap as printing; better results. All classes typewriting and notary work. Meares Harriss, Notary Public, stenographer, 114 Princess street, 'phone 708. de 1-tu-su-thu-tf.

DO YOU WANT to save 50 to 100 per cent. on new solid gold jewelry, bracelets, lockets, watches, chains, rings and cuff buttons. See Uncle Charles, 108 Market street, near Front. de 14-tf.

WILMINGTON SANITARIUM, Front and Castle streets, a modern institution for the treatment of medical and surgical diseases. Especially equipped for the scientific treatment of asthmatic, catarrhal, kidney, genito-urinary, rectal, tuberculosis, rheumatic and skin diseases. Massage, Turkish, vapor and hot air baths. Mrs. Eliza McDuffie, superintendent. Charles T. Harper, M. D., medical director. nov. 30-tf.

CALL PURE FOOD MARKET for your fresh steaks or fresh codfish, salmon, halibut, haddock and smelts. Also best fresh meats, fruits and vegetables. Prompt delivery. D. M. Davis, proprietor. 'Phone 1493. de 6-tf.

LET US FIGURE on repainting and repairing your old buggies, wagons and automobiles. We can save you money. Wilmington Carriage Works, 1103 Castle street. 'Phone 1019. oct. 23-tf.

WANTED—500 to 1,000 cords of four-foot pine wood. Pay cash on arrival. Address Box 187, Wilmington, N. C. nov. 11-2mo.

FOR RENT—In private residence on desirable street, suite of attractive rooms, entirely new; private bath, gas, electricity. Address "O," care Morning Star. de27-tf

January First to Third

ABSOLUTE SAFETY

Our new INTEREST QUARTER begins January the first. Deposits made on or before January the third will draw 4% Compound interest from January the first. You can get your interest in three months if deposited by Tuesday.

American National Bank

(Uncle Sam's Bank.)

de30-t.

We Wish

Our Friends and

the Public

A Very Happy and

Prosperous

New Year.

The A. David Co.

Best Wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year

A. O. SCHUSTER

JEWELER

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NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS!

We Thank our Customers, one and all, for their kind and generous patronage during the year 1910, and wish for them a Prosperous Year for 1911.

We respectfully solicit their continued patronage, and we promise the same prompt and courteous consideration as in the past.

W. B. COOPER

Wilmington, N. C.

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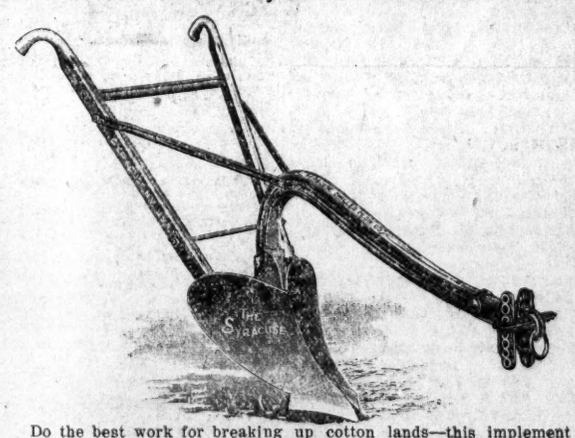

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HOW LEGISLATURE MAY HELP

Interesting Letter From Clarence H. Poe. Now Traveling Abroad—Constructive Work That May be Done by Lawmakers.

(By Clarence H. Poe.)

Although I am traveling in Asia, my heart is still back in North Carolina, and I am traveling here, in fact, simply in the hope that this travel may make me of greater service to my people in North Carolina and elsewhere in the South. Just now I am reminded that by the time this letter reaches home the General Assembly will be in session, and the thought of some of its opportunities for helping the State forward is what prompts this letter. I am anxious that they shall not fall behind in any line of progress that other peoples are making. No other excuse for this article should be necessary.

I—Education.

Another decidedly forward step in public education is the most important thing the State has a right to expect of the new General Assembly. The people who think that after the advances of the last ten years we can afford to rest on our laurels, ignore the fact that we have no laurels to rest on. We have gotten out of a position

CLARENCE H. POE.

that was a disgrace to us; we have not yet come to a position that is creditable to us. An average school term of four or five months will not now equip the boys and girls of North Carolina to hold their own with the rest of the world. Fifty years ago a North Carolina Secretary of the Navy made the plans for opening up Japan to the world, and even yet the majority of our people are perhaps accustomed to think of the Japanese as a heathen and more or less ignorant nation. But today Japan boasts that 98 per cent of her boys and girls between six and fourteen are in the schools—and in the schools not for four months (the Japanese anywhere would be ashamed of a four months school term), but for ten months in the year! Their Department of Education in Tokio assured me that even the farm boys and girls have ten months schooling.

Can we afford to let the future men and women go into life more poorly equipped than the so-called heathen in Asia? An average school term of six months by 1915 should be the aim of the new General Assembly.

II.—Better Child Labor Laws.

The children can't go to school and work in factories at the same time. Of course, the mills are going to have a little trouble in adjusting themselves to new legislation, but if we wait a hundred years, they will still have the same trouble. Considerations of humanity in other States have forced the general adoption of laws forbidding the employment of boys and girls under fourteen, and also eliminating the serious evils of night work. Let the General Assembly of 1911 relieve North Carolina of the discredit the State now suffers by reason of its negligence here. If all the features of an ideal law can not be put into force at once, let part of them become operative now and part in 1913. There must be inspection both for the sake of the children and for the sake of law-abid-law should not be forced to compete with mills that violate it.

III.—Roads and Railroads.

The question of better roads will no doubt engage the earnest attention of our law-makers. It seems to me that in particular some provision should be made—perhaps the Iowa law might be modified to suit our conditions—for encouraging the use of the drag. It is the cheapest good roads maker ever invented.

May I suggest also that our Legislators can hardly do better than to consider ways and means of encorauging the building of railways in our mountain counties and in other sections now without proper transportation facilities? It seems to me that a good deal might be accomplished by allowing railways in less favored districts to charge higher rates for both freight and passengers—for a limited number of years, of course.

IV.—$50,000 for Public Health.

I know no department of the government of North Carolina that is doing better or more important work than our State Board of Health. The present appropriation of $10,000, however, is pitifully inadequate, and I am convinced that our Legisaltors will need no urging to increase it to $25,000 or $50,000. I have heard much over here of the trfumpns of hygiene and sanitation in the Russo-Japanese war. Directed by a thoroughly modern health department, the Japanese lost only one man from disease to fourteen from bullets; in the Spanish-American war we lost four men from disease to one from bullets.

The proportion of unnecessary deaths in time of peace is not unlike the proportion in time of war, and the policies of prevention are just as practicable. The investment of $50.000 in public health work in North Carolina would pay better dividends than a gold mine.

V.—Temperance.

In the next place, may I not urge that there should be no let-up in our determination to minimize the whiskey evil in North Carolina? Fiercer and stronger year by year must grow the struggle for the mastery among the peoples of the earth, and, other things being equal, the prize of victory must go sooner or later to those who have kept their bodies strongest, freest from every enervating influence, and their brains clearest, least befogged by any dulling agency. Awakening China over here, realizing this, nas set herself, first of all, to free her people from the ancient curse of opium—the form of intemperance to which they have been addicted—and already she has achieved results that have amazed the world. Shall it be said that the yellow man in China is able to overcome influences that the white man in the South is unable to cope with?

I make my appeal, be it understood on no sentimental grounds. The fact stands out unshaken that if North Carolina is to become the great State I long to see her become, her people must have trained minds, strong bodies, and brains unbefogged by dissipation. Let us see to it that the Japanese shall not beat us in providing educational opportunities for the rising generations and at the same time let us see to it that the Chinese shall not beat us in fighting the influences that sap the strength and weaken the vitality of peoples.

VI.—The Torrens System.

I hope that the Legislature will not adjourn without making provision for the Torrens System of Registering Land Titles. The farmers of North Carolina are aroused to the importance of this reform, and the business men are also beginning to realize the great value to the State. Mr. Henry E. Litchford's address before the Bankers' Association, suggests the impetus that it would give business; and justice will never be done the farmers and landholders of the State until they are freed from restrictions that are not only costly and unnecessary, but prevent the easy use of real estate as collateral.

VII.—A Problem to be Faced.

There is one other subject which I wish it were unnecessary to mention and which Legislators and people will wish it were unnecessary to consider And yet I can not feel my duty done nor they theirs, unless we face the issue squarely. It has to do with the problem which, of all problems, is most irrepressible—the race problem. Not even in the uttermost parts of the earth can the Southerner get away from it. In Peking last week two eminent Northern-born Americans talked of it with dark foreboding; after breakfast this morning a Chicago minister opened the subject in the same vein; at Tiffin a New eZaland-born Britisher (without knowing where I am from) brought up the question with the remark that "the black question in the United States is one of the most serious problems any Nation on earth has to consider." The Legislature can not solve this problem, but it can put North Carolina where she ought to stand with regard to one of its worst phases; the heaviest penalties of the law should be provided as punishment for the depraved of both colors who are responsible for the growth of a mongrel element in the State. Years ago Senator Tillman pointed out that white supremacy in the South is now seriously menaced in but one way—the mingling of the immoral of both races. Upon the men responsible for this peril, who, worse than traitors to their country, are traitors to their blood and to their race, the heavy hand of the law and of public opinion should fall with merciless severity. Louisiana has recently taken an advanced step with regard to the problem, and a decade ago our own Legislature narrowly defeated a bill introduced by Hon. F. D. Winston looking to the same end.

There should be no further delay; the longer the evil is neglected the more serious does it become.

VIII.—A Hall of Records.

That the Legislature should provide better Capitol buildings, including a fire-proof building for the invaluable records of our State's history, goes without saying. I hope that it will also be recorded that this Legislature had the courage to break away from the petty graft of unnecessary clerkships. So free has our old State been from all forms of public dishonor, it is a pity that every Legislature, in the very beginning, must weaken its own self-respect and taint its own standards of official purity by such petty corruption.

I have written this article solely because of the interest that I feel in the welfare of the State—in the hope that such Legislators as read it will give the subjects mentioned such consideration as they feel them to merit, and in the further hope that citizens who feel as I do about these matters will take the trouble to urge their importance upon their law-makers.

Sincerely,

CLARENCE POE.

Shanghai, China, Nov. 21, 1910.

ABOUT POSTAL SAVING BANKS

United States Said to be Last Nation of Importance to Adopt Them—What National Monetary Commission Says.

Washington, D. C. December 31. — The United States has been the last nation of importance to establish postal savings banks. Practically every other nation has them in successful operation now.

One of the latest publications of the National Monetary Commission entitled "Notes on the postal savings bank systems of the leading countries," shows the growth and development of postal savings banks in every quarter of the earth, from the beginning in the United Kingdom in 1861 to the present time, when the system has been extended not only through the contient of Europe but to the colonies, even in Tasmania, the federated Malay States, and southern Nigeria.

While the United States is this year preparing for a beginning with 44 banks, the far-away gold coast of Africa has $100,000 in deposits; Tunis has more than $1,000 000; the Dutch East Indies have $2.000,000; Formosa, under Japanese rule, has nearly $1,000,000, and Egypt has nearly $2,000,000.

In continental Europe and in greater nations the system is much more extensive. In France there are more than 5,000.000 depositors, with average deposits of $56; Italy has 5,000,000 also with an average deposit of $55. Belgium has 2,000,000 with an average of $63, and Russia has 1,700.000, with an average of $72. Japan, which pays the highest interest of all, has 8,000,000 depositors, with deposits of $46,000.000 but the average deposit is lowest of all, only about $5.

The history and organization of the postal savings bank systems of the leading foreign countries, the regulations in various countries concerning the withdrawal of funds, statistics showing the growth in the number of depositors and amount of deposits, and the cost of administration, with the annual amount of profit or loss, are all made available in this volume to anyone interested in the subject. The volume also includes the pertinent questions bearing on the nature and operation of postal savings banks in certain foreign countries. These answers are tabulated in most convenient forms.

The United Kingdom was the pioneer, having established her system in 1861. This postal savings bank system has grown steadily, until in 1908 there were over 11,000,000 depositors, with deposits of $781,794,533. For the whole period from 1861 to 1908, "the actual surplus profits covered into the treasury amount to $11,142,425." However, since 1902 there has been an annual average deficit of about $500,000. "The cause for this is found in the reduction of interest from 2 3-4 to 2 1-2 per cent on British consols, in which the funds are chiefly invested.

Canada has had postal savings banks since 1868. "Originally it was provided that the deposits should be invested in Dominion securities but in 1875 this law was repealed and deposits are now handed over to the receiver general, and withdrawals are paid by him. This creates a 'floating' indebtedness of approximately $47,000,000, payable on demand." The interest paid was originally 4 per cent, but it was reduced to 3 1-2 per cent in 1889 and to 3 percent in 1897. The number of depositors in 1896 was but 30 for each 1,000 population, while the United Kingdom had more than 200 for each 1,000. However, the average deposits are about $300 in Canada while they are only $75 in the United Kingdom.

Postal savings banks in France date from 1882. Mr. Cochery, the under secretary of state, in advocating the establishment of a postal savings system, said: "The State has to achieve what can not be done by private initiative. When private enterprise can attain its object the State must disappear, but when private initiative is powerless it is the duty of the State to lend its assistance. It is because the private savings banks can not meet all the wants of the thrifty population that we submitted the bill which is under consideration." These words might have well been used with reference to the United States previous to the passage of the recent savings bank act. The rate of interest paid in France is 2 1-2 per cent. The deposits are invested in "French Government securities, in negotiable obligations of the Departments, communes and the chamber of commerce, in real estate or in the credit foncier." The annual profit since 1895 has ranged from $400,000 to $1,000,000. A reserve fund of over $1,000,000 nad been accumulated by December 31 1907. This constitutes a safety fund against losses. Italy, Belgium, Russia, the Netherlands, Austria, Hungary, Sweden Egypt, and many other countries, have postal savings banks in successful operation.

The postal savings bank systems of the various countries have many desirable and convenient features, some peculiar to one or two countries, others common to all. School children are quite generally encouraged to open savings accounts. In the United Kingdom more than 5,000 schools have adopted a school section of the postal savings bank. Scholarship grants and prizes are given in the form of a savings deposit account. French men-of-war carry branch banks for the convenience of the sailors. British soldiers stationed abroad may make deposits in the postal savings bank through the war office public accounts. If a deposit account has reached the maximum allowed, the postal savings banks of the United Kingdom, Canada, France, Italy, and other countries will invest any additional amount deposited in government securities. This service is rendered gratis or for a nominal charge. In the United Kingdom a depositor may purchase insurance or an annuity from the postal savings bank.

In regard to the withdrawal of funds there is usually a provision requiring notice, which is not always insisted upon. In the United Kingdom a depositor "on presentation of his book at any post office open for savings bank business can withdraw immediately a sum not exceeding 1 pound." Larger amounts may be withdrawn upon receipt of an answer to a telegram sent to the head office. Belgium allows depositos, upon presentation of their books, "on the sole condition of proving their identity, to withdraw at any post office whatever sums not exceeding 100 francs" ($20). This provision is extremely convenient for travelers.

Austria has added an interesting feature to its savings bank system in allowing checking deposits to be made separate from the savings deposits. On deposit of 100 crowns ($20) such an account may be opened. This deposit may be increased directly by the depositor or by remittances by third parties. For instance, suppose that A wishes to pay B 20 crowns, both having check accounts, A can send a check on his account to the postal savings bank in B's town. B's account would be credited with the amount, and B would be notified to that effect. Thus the payment would be effected without the use of cash by the use of book entries. During the year 1908 over $2,000,000,000 was transferred in this manner. Holders of checking accounts can make such transfers to "the Levant, and through banks in Belgium, Germany, England, France, Italy, and Switzerland."

The cost of administration of the postal business varies from 0.23 of 1 per cent of deposits in Italy to 1.33 per cent in Austria, the latter, however, includes the cost of the check service. Nearly all countries make a considerable profit from the system.

ODD FELLOWS' HOME.

Called Meeting of Trustees—Jacobi Memorial Building—Other Notes.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Odd Fellows' Orphan Home, Goldsboro, N. C., Dec. 31.—The Board of Thustees met in a called session in the parlors of the Jacobi Memorial Building Thursday evening. Four members of the board—Marcus W. Jacobi, chairman, Wilmington; Dr. L. B. McBrayer, Asheville; C. B. Edwards, Raleigh; Charles Dewey, Goldsboro—and Superintendent Wagoner, were present at the meeting. W. A. J. Peacock, Goldsboro, and Grand Master Frank D. Hackett, North Wilkesboro, and Chas. F. Lumsden, of Raleigh, were absent. Mr. Lumsden is very ill with tuberculosis at his home.

The meeting lasted until nearly midnight. The main object was the matter of purchasing more land for the Home. For many years this has been one of the most perplexing problems that the trustees have had to deal with, and it is by no means settled yet. No decision was made in regard to the matter at this meeting as three members of the board were absent, and those present fearing lest they would be taking upon themselves too much responsibility, would make no decision at present. The purchase of land was postponed until the meeting of the Grand Lodge next May at Winston-Salem.

The new heating plant which is being installed in the new Jacobi Memorial Building, and which is almost completed, met the approval of those members present. The plant is to cost $3,500, and is being placed by the J. W. Sargent Company, of Richmond, Va., who also installed the present plant in the main building some five years ago.

A music teacher was selected to fill the position made vacant by the resignation of Miss Hattie Brinson last May.

The superintendent and resident trustees were authorized to take steps toward the improvement of the cattle and stock, and lands were rented for use during the coming year. The poultry yard is to be greatly enlarged and this phase of the work is to receive more attention than it has in the past. At present there are only about 100 fowls in the poultry yard, and this is not enough for the large and increasing family at the Home.

A resolution of thanks to Col. Walker Taylor, of Wilmington, was passed, thanking him for the magnificent oil painting of Father Jacobi, which he lately presented to the Home. The picture was painted by Mrs. W. H. Williams, of Faison, and is an excellent likeness of that fine old man. It occupies the most conspicuous place in the parlors of the new Jacobi Memorial Building, and the children often go in and gaze in a sorrowful mood at this picture of the one whom they loved in life and mourn for in death.

Messrs. George W. Greene, and W. A. Snell, both of Orion Lodge, No. 67, of Wilmington, were admitted to the Old Folks' Home. There is at present no occupant of this Home. There have been three old people at the Old Folks' Home since it was opened, but one died and the other two left.

There were other minor matters taken up and discussed, one of which looks toward the general enlargement of the Home to meet the growing demands that are constantly being made upon it. Such things as this, however, have to be handled largely by the Grand Lodge.

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ANCIENT HISTORY IN TEXAS

oCmparatively New State is Already Unearthening Interesting Documents of the Long Ago—In San Antiono Vaults.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

San Antonio, Texas, Dec. 31.—The discovery of a newly elected county clerk, at Bay City, Texas, of ancient and historically important documents has brought attention to the fact that in the county and city archives of San Antonio and in the possession of the Catholic Church here, are yellowed papers written by the Franciscan monks, records of the 16th and 17th centuries, that to the historian would be a priceless boon.

At Bay City, the new county clerk in assuming his office and straightening up old papers so new books could be installed, the other day came across the certified returns of the election in Texas for and against secession from the Union, a muster roll of companies that joined the Confederate army, an inventory of the Matagorda county property of Stephen F. Austin, the great colonizer of Texas, and also a case of papers 150 years earlier than these and concerning affairs of the earliest days of of Texas. It is evident they contain matter of intense historical interest, but no county clerk, within the memory of the oldest official, has ever had the hardihood to disturb or investigate these old musty and stormbeaten papers. It is possible that the election returns on the vote for secession will be turned over to the State Historical Society.

The latter brings back the days when Sam Houston, as governor of Texas, opposed secession and was deposed. From the beginning of Houston's administration the whole United States was excited over the presidential election. Most of the Southerners felt that the election of Lincoln would be followed by Civil war. Governor Houston did all he could to prevent Texas from leaving the Union, but the majority of the people favored secession and had no sympathy with the governor's views. He was importuned to call a convention, but as he was not willing, several leaders of the secession movement issued the call, whereupon Houston called an extra session of the legislature to meet January 21, 1861, to consider what should be done. Excitement was at such pitch, however, that the people would not wait. On January 8, they selected delegates to a State convention, which assembled in Austin, January 28, 1861, and immediately recognized by the legislature in special session, as representing the will of the people. By a vote of 166 ayes to seven nays, Texas withdrew from the Union, an action that, when submitted to the people, was ratified by an overwhelming majority.

Texas by the decision of the convention joined the Confederate States of America, and all officers were required to take the oath of allegiance to the new government. This was willingly done by all but General Houston, Secretary of State Cade and Adjutant-General Martin. Their offices were declared vacant. In spite of the protests of Governor Houston, who refused to retire on the ground that neither the legislature nor convention had the right thus to deprive him of office granted by the citizens, Lieutenant-Governor Clark was sworn in as governor. June 8, Governor Clark issued a proclamation declaring that war actually existed, officers began to enroll volunteers and by November there were more than 15,000 Texans in the Confederate service.

The Bay City documents throw much light on this stage of Texas history. Bay City, with San Antonio, was one of the old centres of population playing an important part in the drama of the settlement of Texas. Not only would the historian find much new material, but the writer of romance, out of these yellowed pepers, could weave many a story of heroism, hardship and love. The Franciscan Friars, when they built the Missions extending from the Rio Grande to the Sabine, kept complete records of their work in civilizing and christianizing the various tribes of Indians, and many of these records with other papers relating to Spain's activity in settling the province of Texas, are now in possession of the Catholic Church. Were they translated from the Latin, they would prove an invaluable addition to the history of the United States. Many of them are works of art, printed in various colored inks, still brilliant, on parchment brought from Spain, the sheets being well bound, several of the volumes having metal clasps.

In the vaults of the office of the City Clerk of San Antonio are numerous records, reports of Spanish officers in command of the garrison of San Fernando, by which name San Antonio was known in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, and reports of meetings of the City Council after San Antonio became an American municipality when the flag of the Republic of Texas waved over the ruins of the Alamo, where Bowie, Travis and Crockett met death in their defence of the city against Santa Ana. In the county clerk's office are papers bearing the original signature of Spanish governors and American officers, like Bowie and Crockett.

When Theodore Roosevelt was here recruiting his rough riders, he became interested in the unexploited field of Texas history and promised that some day he would return and give the world its first complete history of the Lone Star State.

The New York American pleads with the South to "revise, or at least modify, the pandemonium of noise and tumult and hilarity which expresses its rejoiceful recognition of the recurring birthdays of the Prince of Peace." Amen! say we. The South is not alone in making of the Christmas season the occasion for a saturnalia, but the South is perhaps the worst offender in this regard. In other sections, it is true, holidays which are disregarded here are celebrated in riotous fashion and the score, taken as a whole, is possibly touch and go, but for all that there can be no question that the South suffers severely because of the crimes which annually mark our observance of the Yule-tide. That should not be the primary motive in prompting us to work for a better state of things, but it is a fact that cannot be ignored that disorder and lawlessness invariably react upon the material welfare of a community. We have peculiarly difficult conditions to deal with and we must, therefore, be the more vigilant to lose no opportunity to press for progress.—Charleston News and Courier.

"Winsome Wilmington," the Wilmington Star calls it—but the guy who expects to win some in Wilmington has much to learn from true artists of the game.—Columbia State.

THE SOUTH'S GREAT WEALTH

Crop Yield is Enormous—Interesting Figures Presented by Manufacturers' Record—Developmental Enterprises Reported.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Baltimore, Dec. 31.—Seven staple crops, common to the whole country, yielded in 1910 in the South $874,302,443, says the Manufacturers' Record in this week's issue. The same crops, corn, wheat, tobacco, hay, oats, Irish potatoes and rye, yielded in 1900 in the South $427,444,000. In the first decade of the century their value has increased at the rate of 104.3 per cent. in the South, and at the rate of 85.3 per cent. in the rest of the country.

These seven crops, with rice and products of the sugar cane, have an aggregate value of quite $925,000,000, which suggests that cotton, approaching with its seed a value this year of $1,000,000,000, is by no means the only great crop of the South. Thus, the South is, by the very results it is accomplishing, giving itself the widest and the most effective sort of advertisement of its opportunities for the thrifty home-builder in agriculture.

Its accomplishments this year are especially notable in comparison with last year as shown in the following table:

Crops	1900	1910
Corn	$557,866,000	$587,657,000
Wheat	71,431,000	87,971,000
Tobacco	72,670,095	69,106,000
Hay	61,473,000	67,139,000
Oats	32,576,000	36,270,000
I Potatoes	24,496,000	24,758,000
Rye	1,214,000	1,401,000
Total	$821,726,095	$874,302,443

In every one of the seven crops, save tobacco, there was an increase in value in the South in 1910 over 1909, and in every one there was an increase in quantity. The aggregate increase was from $821,726,000 to $874,302,000, or by $52,576,000, equal to 6.4 per cent., while in the rest of the country there was a decrease of 9 per cent., from $2,984,734,000 to $2,706,878,000, or by $277,856,000.

The favorable showing of the South is emphasized in a comparison of 1900 and 1910 in the following table:

Crops	1900	1910
Corn	$234,648,000	$587,657,000
Wheat	68,205,000	87,971,000
Tobacco	40,193,000	69,106,443
Hay	42,466,000	67,139,000
Oats	30,371,000	36,270,000
I. Potatoes	10,254,000	24,758,000
Rye	1,307,000	1,401,000
Total	$427,444,000	$874,302,443

Between 1900 and 1910 the value of these crops in the rest of the country increased from $1,460,605,000 to $2,706,878,000 or by $1,246,373,000, equal to 85.3 per cent., and in the South from $427,444,000 to $874,302,000, or by $446,858,000, equal to 104.5 per cent. The great increase came in corn, from $234,648,000 to $587,657,000, or by $353,009,000, equal to 150.4 per cent., though Irish potatoes, more than doubling in value, have approached the value of the sweet potato crop, in which the South is a leader, and there have been quite satisfactory increases in wheat and hay.

Many Southern developmental enterprises of the past week are detailed in this issue of the Manufacturers'

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THINGS YOU AND I HAVE TALKED ABOUT IN 1910

Read Here Again About the News Which Interested All Of Us During the Year

Notable Occurrences Which Will Have Permanent Places In the World's History

By CHARLES N. LURIE.

LIKE Matthew, the world sits "at the receipt of custom" at the end of an old year and the beginning of a new and takes account of what has occurred during the twelvemonth which has passed. It is the time of balance, of the measuring of advance and of retrogression in mundane affairs.

Unlike its predecessor, 1910 has not been marked by any one event standing out in the minds and imaginations of men as did the discovery of the north pole in 1909. No grail of the ages has been found, no great discovery has been made, unless, indeed, a certain widely heralded medical discovery by Professor Ehrlich of Germany should prove the long sought specific for an evil which for centuries has baffled medical skill and research.

JANUARY.—Paris Threatened by Flood. Pinchot Dismissed.

In the initial month of the year the world's attention was held by the menace which water brought to one of the fairest of the earth's cities, Paris, "the city of light," the center of the world's gayety and beauty and fashion, was inundated by the rising of the river Seine and its tributaries. For a week monuments and buildings suffered severe damage and were threatened with destruction. Before the waters sank they did damage to the extent of 1,000,000,000 francs, or $200,000,000.

January saw the removal of Gifford Pinchot, chief forester of the United States, by President Taft, who declared that the tree expert had violated an order of the chief executive. The dismissal marked one phase of the Pinchot-Ballinger dispute, which was a holdover from 1909. Of deaths in January probably the most notable were those of D. O. Mills, millionaire philanthropist; Joaquim Nabuco, Brazilian ambassador to the United States, and Cardinal Satolli. The British parliamentary elections resulted in a small Liberal-Laborite majority.

FEBRUARY.—Philadelphia's Bitter Labor Struggle.

In news interest the event of February was the beginning of the long, bitterly contested street car men's strike in Philadelphia. After five persons had been killed and a hundred injured in rioting in the City of Brotherly Love the famous state mounted constabulary was called upon to restore order. The strike extended over into March. Sporting men found much to interest them this month in the downfall of Battling Nelson, the lightweight pugilistic champion, who lost his title to Ad Wolgast in San Francisco. The fight took place on Washington's birthday.

MARCH.—Famous Men Pass Away.

In March the hand of death was laid on the supreme court bench, taking from among its members David J. Brewer, one of this country's most noted jurists and publicists. Two other men of national note whose careers came to an end this month were Former Senator Thomas C. Platt of New York and Louis Klopsch, editor of the Christian Herald and promoter of international charity.

On March 17 the speed record of man's motion on the face of the earth was broken when Barney Oldfield urged his automobile over the course at Daytona Beach, Fla., at the rate of more than two miles a minute. He covered a mile in 27.33 seconds.

APRIL.—Mark Twain Gone. First City to City Flight.

On April 21, 1910, the world was bereaved by the death of Mark Twain. This "man of sorrows," who had brought light and laughter into millions of homes other than his own, who was humorist, philosopher, warrior against shams and wrongs, passed away broken by illness and bereavement. He had lived nearly seventy-five years, long enough to learn that his fame was international, that his name was engraved on the hearts of his own people and that they loved and esteemed him as "guide, philosopher and friend." Mark Twain, whose real name was Samuel L. Clemens, died at his home in Redding, Conn. The same month saw the passing of Bjornstjerne Bjornson, the famous Norwegian novelist, patriot, poet and playwright. In April Governor Charles E. Hughes of New York was appointed to succeed Justice Brewer on the supreme court bench. A Socialist victory which aroused widespread interest was the election of Emil Seidel as mayor of Milwaukee on April 5.

Certainly of all interesting subjects of the year aviation, in view of its numerous triumphs, deserves a separate paragraph. Let us note here, therefore, that on April 27, 1910, Louis Paulhan of France made the first great city to city flight by flying from London to Manchester, 185 miles, in 252 minutes. The year was filled with feats of human flight. If memory serves, not a single record was left intact. The year's record is splotched with red, however, since some of the world's most famous aviators paid for their daring with their lives.

MAY.—King Edward Dead. Halley's Comet Visits the Earth. Curtiss' Flight.

Ruler of the world's mightiest empire, lord of its greatest fleet, possessor of a scepter wielded by his ancestors during a thousand years, Edward VII., king of Great Britain and Ireland, bowed to a mightier monarch than he on May 6, 1910. He was sixty-nine years old and had succeeded his mother, Queen Victoria, in January, 1901. He left behind him the memory of an able, astute ruler, possessed of great social tact. His son reigns in his stead as George V. The funeral of King Edward, held in London, was marked by a gathering of sovereigns and princes such as the world had never seen before. Seven reigning monarchs followed the bier.

"Welcome to our atmosphere" was the greeting extended last May to a visitor from celestial regions which comes to see us once in every seventy-seven years. On May 18, 1910, at 10:47 p. m., New York time, the earth passed through the tail of Halley's comet without any of the damage that had been feared and predicted. Most of us looked for Halley's comet and saw it figured like a faint streak among the stars. Emulating Paulhan, Glenn H. Curtiss made America's first city to city aerial trip on May 29, flying from Albany to New York for a prize of $10,000. Among the deaths of the month was that of Dr. Robert Koch, the famous German physician.

JUNE.—Roosevelt Returns. Many Noted Folk Die.

On June 18, 1910, the "big noise" arrived. All other matters of interest had to stand aside when former president Theodore Roosevelt set foot again on American soil after an absence of a year, spent in shooting lions and elephants in Africa and chasing monarchs to their lairs in Europe. Beginning in New York on the day named, the welcome extended clear across the continent. That same month, on the 25th, congress adjourned after a stormy session marked in March by the curtailment of the powers of the speaker. On June 13 Charles K. Hamilton flew in a biplane from New York to Philadelphia, turned his machine around and flew back. Deaths of the month: Sydney Porter (O. Henry), writer of short stories; Elizabeth Blackwell, pioneer woman physician; Goldwin Smith, Anglo-Canadian-American publicist; Sir George Newnes, London publisher; United States Senators Daniel of Virginia and McEnery of Louisiana.

JULY.—The Big Prizefight. Death of Chief Justice Fuller.

For many months before July 4 the Jeffries-Johnson prizefight, scheduled to take place at Reno, Nev., on Independence day, had been a topic of animated discussion even among those little given to showing interest in the affairs of the ring. It was a surprise to many when the white man not only failed to defeat his colored opponent, but fell a hopelessly outclassed victim to Johnson's jabs and swings. The contest lasted fifteen rounds. "Race riots" followed in several cities.

Melville Weston Fuller, chief justice of the United States since 1888, died at his home in Bar Harbor, Me., on July 4. He was seventy-eight years old. Justice Fuller left behind a reputation for legal learning, sagacity, broad mindedness and personal distinction. He was not the greatest of our chief justices, but his name will live in American annals as that of an able, upright judge.

AUGUST—Mayor Gaynor Shot. Various Other Events.

On Aug. 9 the country was shocked by the report that an attempt had been made to assassinate Mayor William J. Gaynor of New York. The mayor was shot by James J. Gallagher, a disgruntled former city employee, but was not mortally wounded. Pedro Montt, president of Chile, died Aug. 16 in Europe. Another death of the month was that of Florence Nightingale, the famous Crimean war nurse, who passed away in London on Aug. 13. She was ninety years old. On the first day of August an organization having for its object the abolition of war among nations, the international peace congress, met in Stockholm. On Aug. 13 James Radley, an English aviator, broke the world's aeroplane speed record by flying a mile in 47 2-5 seconds. The government of Nicaragua fell on Aug. 20. Managua, the capital yielding to the victorious insurgents commanded and led by General Estrada. Dr. Madriz, who had succeeded Zelaya in the presidency, fled to Mexico. Various disturbances have agitated the little republic since that time. On Aug. 28 the extinction of the ancient empire of Korea was announced, the country being annexed to Japan.

SEPTEMBER.—Brookins' Flight From Chicago to Springfield, Ill. Great Catholic Gathering.

Walter H. Brookins' aeroplane trip from Chicago to Springfield, Ill., 186 miles, on Sept. 29 established a new record for American city to city flights. On the 19th of the same month two aviators, Weymann, an American, and Chavez, a Peruvian, attempted flights over the Alps. Chavez succeeded, but lost his life in a low fall at the close on his trip. William Holman-Hunt, English painter; Emanuel Fremiet, French sculptor, and Lloyd W. Bowers, solicitor general of the United States, were among the dead of the month. Millions of Roman Catholics the world over followed with interest the proceedings of the eucharistic congress held in Montreal. Maine went Democratic on Sept. 12, electing a Democratic governor for the first time in thirty years.

OCTOBER.—Portuguese Republic Born. Wellman's Attempt to Fly Across the Sea.

October's chronicle contains the story of the overthrow of the ancient Portuguese monarchy and the establishment of a republic in its stead. The uprising which drove King Manuel from his throne occurred on the night of Oct. 4. The revolution was attended by little disorder and bloodshed, although there were some fighting and loss of life in Lisbon and elsewhere. King Manuel and his relatives fled first to Gibraltar and then to England. The provisional government of the new republic chose as its first president Dr. Theophile Braga.

Long illness brought about, in October, the resignation of Justice William H. Moody from the supreme court bench. Among the dead of October were numbered Former Governor and Senator David B. Hill of New York, Senator J. P. Dolliver of Iowa and Julia Ward Howe, whose "Battle Hymn of the Republic" and other writings made her famous. She was ninety-one years old. Walter Wellman made a courageous but futile attempt to fly from America to Europe in his dirigible balloon America. The airship came to grief after sailing about 760 miles over the ocean, the crew being rescued by the steamer Trent. The Philadelphia American league baseball team won the world's championship by defeating the Chicago Nationals.

NOVEMBER.—Democratic Landslide. Tolstoy Dead.

On Nov. 8 the general elections were held throughout the country. The result was a Democratic landslide, governors of that persuasion being elected in Massachusetts, New York, Ohio, New Jersey, Connecticut and other states. Among the governors elect are John A. Dix of New York, Eugene N. Foss of Massachusetts, Woodrow Wilson (formerly president of Princeton university) of New Jersey and Judson Harmon (re-elected) of Ohio. The next house of representatives will be Democratic, and many senate seats formerly held by Republicans will be filled by Democrats. The month saw the tragic end of Count Leo Tolstoy, world famous philosopher and writer, who left his home in Russia to seek solitude and found death from exposure. He was a preacher of peace in all worldly relations. The governors' conference was held in Frankfort and Louisville, Ky., at the end of November, and President Taft took a trip to inspect the work being done on the Panama canal. It was announced that the canal would be finished in 1913. The end of the month was marked by Dr. Frederick A. Cook's confession that he was not sure, after all, that he reached the north pole. President Diaz's rule of Mexico was threatened by revolts, and sailors on some of the Brazilian men of war gained amelioration of their living conditions by open revolt against the government. Other serious risings of sailors took place at Rio de Janeiro in December.

DECEMBER.—Christian Scientists Lose Their Leader. Census Gives Us 101,100,000.

December's opening saw the death of the founder of a religion, Mrs. Mary Baker Eddy, for many years the head of the Christian Science church, passed away at her home in Newton, Mass., on Dec. 3, in her ninetieth year. She left behind many thousands of followers who find in her teachings, as explained in her book, "Science and Health," a rule of life to guide them on the road of spiritual light and leading.

Great Britain found itself again this month in the throes of a general election, caused by the dissolution of parliament which followed disagreement by the Liberals and Unionists on the questions of reform or abolition of the house of lords, home rule for Ireland, free trade or protection, etc.

On Dec. 12 Edward Douglass White, formerly associate justice, was appointed chief justice of the United States to succeed the late Chief Justice Fuller.

This month the population of the United States, according to the census taken this year, was announced. It showed that the United States with Alaska, Porto Rico and Hawaii has 93,402,151 inhabitants. With the Filipinos there are now 101,100,000 Americans. Since 1900 we have gained 16,145,521.

This week the Academy will offer one of its supreme attractions and one that has been long looked for and that will be royally greeted—"The Merry Widow." This brilliant attraction with its tremendous number of people big orchestra, army of stage carpenters and tons of scenery and electrical effects, will be in Wilmington the coming Saturday, January 7th, and two performances will be presented, matinee and night. The scale of prices of reserved seats will be $2, $1.50 and $1 for night, and $1.50, $1 and 75 cents at matinee, and all these seats will be on sale at the down-town box office, the sale of seats commencing next Friday morning at Plummer's.

Of all superb operatic offerings translated and brought to this country by Henry W. Savage, none has rewarded his efforts with such phenomenal success, and nonne has been awaited with such eager interest as that which is aroused in ever ycity where the fascinating Viennese operetta, "The Merry Widow."

The production, to be in keeping with the extraordinary nature of the operetta, had to be staged with the royal magnificence of a princely pageant. The first act shows the dance hall at the Marsovian Embassy in Paris, a scene in which the "Merry Widow" waltz music is first heard; the second act reveals the palatial gardens of the millionaire widow, heroine of this romantic story, while the third is an exact copy of the all-night supper room in the world-famous Maxim's, the gayest of all Parisian resorts.

The wonderful empire gowns and ballet dresses together with the marvelous "Merry Widow" hats, that have set the style the world over, were all brought fro mParis. In addition to the fine singing forces, the performance requires a Hungarian band on the stage and a large orchestra in the pit.

The entire equipment is claimed to be the most elaborate ever given an operetta in America, and will be shown here exactly as when Mr. Savage first presented it at the New Amsterdam Theatre, in New ork.

The operetta is sung by an excellent cast made up of singers from the New York. Boston and Chicago companies headed by Miss Gertrude Hutcheson as "Sonia," and George Damerel as "Prince Danilo," a part Mr. Damerel has been appearing in continuously since the American premier.

In story, drama and poem an especial and peculiar interest is attached to the mythical country. Perhaps this interest is a survival of the days when we loved fairy tales, laid in the land of romance and doubtful location. The most fascinating of all these countries it was left for Franz Lehar and his librettists to discover and to present in "The Merry Widow," that exquisite operetta which has been the marvel and delight of all those who have been fortunate enough to witness it.

Marsovia is the name of this land where the "Merry Widow" and her equally joyous associates live and disport themselves. Its picturesqueness is unapproachable, and the beauty of its inhabitants in their odd and splendid costumes, enough to inspire the brush of any painter. And how they sing, and with what skill, grace and lightness they dance in this same Marsovia. The company that will be seen here in this operetta has been selected with great care by Manager Savage, and is said to be equal, if not superior, to any that has presented this marvelous musical love story. Prominent in the cast are Gertrude Hutcheson Mabel Arzella, Marie Jordan, Gertrude Bryan, George Damerel, Arthur Wooley, Harry Burgess, Fred C. Holmes and a large orchestra of vocalists and dancers, together with a special orchestra, from the English Grand Opera Company, under the direction of Mr. Alfred Roth, the original New York conductor.

No doubt many sections of the Wilmington-Charlotte-Salisbury-Mooresville-Asheville highway, says the Charlotte Chronicle, "will be of the oiled-road, sand-clay construction. There are many miles that will not need to be macadamized. The proper grading, the proper curvature of the road-bed and the proper drainage by the roadside are the main things." Correct. Let the good work go on.—Salisbury Post.

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THE NEW YEAR AT LUMBERTON

Star's Correspondent Returns Thanks. Passing of An Old Engine—Dr. Norment Hurt—Other News Notes of Interest.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Lumberton, N. C., Dec. 31.—With the close of the year, we desire to thank all our friends in Lumberton and surrounding country for the liberal patronage given the Star during the year 1910, and also thank the many friends who have aided us in securing items of interest for our Sunday letter, and for the many words of encouragement given us in our attempt to give the news of this section in as readable and condensed form as we were able to do.

We solicit a continuance of the liberal patronage given the paper, and will endeavor to give in the future as in the past, items of interest to our people. If our memory serves us correctly, the Star has been on time every Sunday this year but one, and on that occasion the Lumberton papers for the carrier went astray and have never been located. Hoping to be able to serve our people faithfully during the year 1911, we wish all Star readers a Happy New Year.

Engine No. 1, on the R. & C. road, has been traded off and carried to Atlanta. The old engine was one of the old time Seaboard wood burners, and during the 80's was on the passenger run between Wilmington and Charlotte, and was driven by Messrs. D. M. Tedder, Stacy Bundy and others. In those days it was No. 22, and was noted for being one of the fastest engines on the system. When we remember the hundreds and hundreds of miles we have sat on the old engine as it flew over the rails, and think of the cords of wood we have thrown on its tender, we can but feel sad at its going where we can never expect to see it again.

It certainly pays to advertise in the Star. Last Sunday we mentioned the fact that the ticket agents who worked in the union ticket office were not provided with any means for keeping warm during the freezing weather. A stove has been put in.

Dr. R. M. Norment was painfully hurt early Thursday morning by falling as he went to enter the house from the back yard of his residence. He had not laced his shoes, and in walking stepped on the lace of one shoe just as he attempted to go up the steps. This caused him to fall and receive several painful bruises.

The management of the Opera House was much disappointed at the failure of the attraction booked for last Monday night to show up. Two other attractions booked, one for January 7th and the other for the 19th, have been cancelled. But we are promised some good attractions toward the last of the month.

Among the defendants who appeared in the Charlotte Recorder's court one day this week was the name of Ike Dees, who was taxed with about $40 in fine and costs, for fighting. Ikle is an old Lumberton boy who left here a year or so ago, and considered himself somewhat of a pugilist before he left here.

The Spring session of the Lumberton Graded School will open Tuesday, January 3rd. During the next few days the young people who came home to spend the holidays will return to the different institutions of learning which they have been attending in the State.

The announcement of the forthcoming marriage of Dr. J. S. Norman and Miss E. G. Sikes, of Bladenboro, is the cause for much interest here where Dr. Norman formerly resided. The ceremony will be performed next Wednesday evening at 5 o'clock, and the happy couple will leave on the Seaboard train for a tour of the Northern cities. Many friends in Lumberton extend congratulations.

Next Monday being the first Monday in the year, it is expected that a large number of people will be in town attending the different meetings to be held on that day. The County Commisioners, the Board of Education, and perhaps others, will be in session.——Mr. C. M. Fuller, the veteran live stock dealer, left last night for St. Louis, Mo., where he goes to buy mules and horses, and expects to purchase on this trip no less than three car loads. C. M. Fuller and C. M. Fuller & Son, certainly believe in providing for the farmers, and everybody else who needs horses, mules, buggies and wagons. During the past week they have received two car loads o. buggies and one car load of wagons.

Mr. J. C. Branch, who has been manager of the Southern Bell exchange since that company assumed control o. the system here the first of the year, has resigned and left tonight for Little Rock, Ark., where he goes to take a similar position with the South-Western Telephone Co. Mr. Branch has made many friends here who greatly regret his departure. His successor has not been named.——Mr. E. F. Parnell has been appointed to succeed Mr. F. J. Meares, resigned, as carrier on Route 5 from Lumberton, and Mr. Jno. B. Meares has been appointed to succeed Mr. L. C. Davis, also resigned, on route 6. The department will be asked to allow the newly appointed carriers to swap routes, so as to be on the routes where they were not carriers.——Mr. M. G. McKenzie, superintendent, entertained the Presbyterian Sunday School at his residence last night, and if there has been a more enjoyable gathering of any kind in Lumberton, we have never heard of it. Mr. McKenzie likes to have a good time, and his greatest pleasure is in doing something to give others enjoyment.——The meeting of the Farmers' Union, which was called to be held here yesterday, was not very well attended, due to the disagreeable weather. With anything like favorable weather, the farmers are prompt in attending their union meetings.——We understand that Mr. Gregory Lennon has purchased the old Meares estate adjoining his lands in Wishart's township about eight miles from Lumberton. The estate which has been in the family for over 100 years, contained 600 acres, but like most of the land in this part of the country, the timber has been cut off of it.——Up to this time neither of the persons who escaped from jail Wednesday morning, have been apprehended. It looks like the builders of the guaranteed cells might have to come across and guarantee some more.——The Lumberton Home Talent Minstrels, which have been renearsing for some time, have postponed their performance to some future date. Barlow and Wilson were to have been here last Monday night with their minstrel show, but they, too, have postponed or gone some other route.——The Pope Drug Co., has the thanks of the Star man for two beautiful calendars for 1911, one of which is the largest and most beautiful we have ever seen. Whether it be a calendar or something else, if it comes from the Pope Drug Company, it can be depended on to be the best.

Miss Annie Ruth Caldwell delightfully entertained a large number of friends at the residence of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Caldwell, last night. Our young people always look forward with much pleasure to the entertainments given by Miss Caldwell, as an evening of much real pleasure is assured at this hospitable home on these occasions.——There was one married lady in Lumbeton who should have been huppy at Christmas if fine presents and plenty of them could bring happiness. The least present was a $15 check, while the most valuable was a $950 cloak. There were also several fine dresses, hats, plumes, etc., the combined value reaching over $2,000. They were sent by relatives from other States, and were the genuine articles.——Dr. W. A. McPhaul will leave tomorrow evening for Raleigh to be ready for the opening of the Legislature on Wednesday. That he will look after the interests of Robeson county in the House of Representatives to which he was elected by an overwhelming majority, all of his friends feel assured.——We regret to report the critical illness of Mrs. A. S. Wishart, residing three miles from town. Mrs. Wishart has been in poor health a long time, and her death will cause no surprise.——Beginning with the third Sunday in January, the Catholic congregation of Lumberton will have regular service once a month. Rev. Father Hayden, of Wilmington, will be the pastor. Father Hayden is much loved by his Lumberton congregation.——Mr. C. A. Babbitt, a popular salesman with Messrs. White & Gough, will go to Maxton Monday to take charge of the firm's branch store in that town.——Assistant Postmaster R. O. Edmund, who has been on the sick list for a few days, is again able

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THE SOUTH'S GREAT WEALTH

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Record. They include:

Georgia Power Co., Atlanta, is awarding contracts for the development of its waterpower at Tallulah Falls, near Tallulah, where more than 50,000 horsepower is obtainable for transmission by electricity; this company's ultimate plans for developing various powers are for a total of 101,000 horsepower and an expenditure of $11,000,000.

Ellison A. Smyth, of Greenville, S. C., is arranging the organization of a $1,,000,000 corporation to build a mill of 50,000 spindles and 1,500 looms for manufacturing a fine grade of cotton goods not heretofore produced in the South.

St. Louis & San Francisco Railroad is having plans prepared for the construction of extensive terminal facilities at Beaumont, Tex., to include freight and passenger stations; probably a total expenditure of $500,000 will be involved for the site of 25 acres, the buildings, trackage, etc.

William Whitmer & Sons, Inc., Philadelphia, purchased 55,000 acres of timber land in North Carolina and control of the Tennessee & North CarolinaRailroad, the reported price being $1,500,000; this corporation plans the development of the properties.

Atlantic Fertilizer Co., Baltimore, has plans for constructing a double decked pier about 250 feet long and installing new machinery to increase its factory's annual output from 45,000 to 65,000 tons of fertilizer.

Roanoke Gas & Water Co., Roanoke, Va., will separate into two corporations and the gas corporation will expend about $150,000 for gas plant improvements, including the construction of a 750,000 foot gas holder.

Smoot Coal Co., Ashland, Ky., was incorporated with $350,000 capital stock to develop coal properties.

Deer Creek Lumber Co., Cass, W. Va., will build and equip a band saw mill with a daily capacity of 50,000 feet of lumber, the plant to cost about $30,000.

Atlantic Coast Line Railway is understood to be planning a $350,000 viaduct of steel and concrete construction at Charleston, S. C., but it has as yet not determined details.

Baker's Creek Coal Co., Drifton, Ala., was incorporated with $125,000 capital stock to develop coal lands.

Houston Orchard Co., Houston, Tex., was organized with $250,000 capital stock to develop 6,500 acres of land for orchard purposes.

Steiner Brothers, Birmingham, purchased 97,000 acres of Alabama lands for $250,000 and will develop for 40 acre farms.

Sibley-Menge Brick & Coal Co., Birmingham, will build plant with annual capacity of 12,000,000 common bricks, at Sibleyville, Ala.

Chattanooga Coffee & Mfg. Co., Chattanooga, was organized with $100,000 to build a plant for roasting and blending coffee.

Alabama Marble Co., Sylacauga, Ala., will rebuild its plant, destroyed by fire at a loss reported to be $500,000.

Cherry Lumber Co., Elkins, W. Va., was incorporated with $100,000 capital stock to manufacture lumber.

El-Re Oil & Development Co., Pecos, Texas, was organized with $320,000 capital stock to develop oil lands.

Tylertown Lumber Co., Tylertown, Miss., was incorporated with $50,000 capital stock to manufacture lumber.

Beaufort Fish Scrap & Oil Co., of Beaufort, N. C., was incorporated with $50,000 capital stock to manufacture fish oil.

Bewley Mills, Fort Worth, Texas, was incorporated with $100,000 capital stock to operate grain mills.

DURHAM GOOD ROADS.

Mass Meeting on Monday—The Big Erwin Mills.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Durham, N. C., Dec. 31.—A mass meeting of the citizens of Durham county has been called for January 2nd to discuss road building in the county, and the petition calling the meeting is signed by some of the most influential men. A good roads' association will be formed, the purpose of which will be to encourage and co-operate with the proper authorities in improving and keeping in good condition the roads of the county.

Another object of the association is to do all in its power to extend these roads into other counties and thereby make a regular net-work of roads in this section.

The superintendents and overseers of Erwin Mill No. 1, of West Durham, gave a banquet in honor of the head men in the big mill No. 4 Thursday evening, at the Commonwealth Club. The occasion marked the starting of the new mill which is one of the very largest mills in the Southern States. New departments are being started almost daily as fast as employes can be had. Speeches were made by several of the men present, and throughout their utterances was a note of good feeling that exists between the "men higher up" in both mills. The new mill is the pride of the company, and employs more men than all the others combined. When every department is started and the mill is in full swing, it will consume 50 bales of cotton a day, and will turn out wide sheetings, pillow cases and other yarns.

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ANNUAL MID-WINTER SHOOT

Fourth Annual Event on Traps at Pinehurst, N. C., Promises to be Interesting Affairs—Prizes Handsome

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Pinehurst, N. C., Dec. 31.—Planned on new and the most approved lines, the fourth annual mid-Winter Handicap Trap Shooting Tournament booked for January 18th, 19th, 20th and 21st, promises to be the "biggest and best" in the history of these contests which are fast building a reputation for Pinehurst which ranks with its international golfing fame, the management expressing its appreciation of the interest previously shown by a liberal increase in "added money" which makes the sum over $1,000.00 when the tropies offered in connection are considered: a "clashsic" American soot in every meaning of the word.

The special innovation is the adoption of the "Squior money back" plan which is in such universal favor among high class amateurs. The regular sweepstakes will include ten regular twenty-target events on the first and second days, and five regular twenty-target events on the morning of the third and fourth days. Moneys in all these events will be divided according to the Rose system, 8-5-3-2-1. There will be an optional sweepstake with a $2.00 entrance, in every twenty and twenty-five event on the programme. The purpose of these optional sweeps will be divided on the percentage system, class shooting, 40-30-20-10, if over twenty entries; otherwise 50-30-20. There will also be an optional sweep of $2 entrance on each of the first and second hundred of the first and second day's progarmme and in the first hundred of the third and fourth day's programme. Division of moneys by high guns.

The preliminary will be 100 targets unknown angles, with the handicaps ranging from 11 to 23 yards; high guns. The added money will be $150 the number of moneys into which the purse will be divided to be determined by the number of entries. The entrance fee of $10 includes targets. The Handicap is arranged on the same plan as the Preliminary, the entrance fee $20. The trophies include splendid sterling cups to the winners of both the Handicap and the Preliminary, a high average gold medal to the leader in the regular 16-yard events (600 targets), silver medals for second and third and a gold medal for the leader in the entire programme of 800 targets. The professionals will shoot for a trophy to be awarded for the high average in the 16-yard events, contesting otherwise, only for the price of tragets, and being handicapped on the same basis as the ameteurs. While dates are set for Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, January 18th, 19th, 20th and 21st, the Preliminary and Handicap on the closing days, the event will round out the full week, many shooters assembling even as early as the week previous. The handicap committee includes: C. W. Billings, New York Athletic Club; R. M. Owen, New York City; Charles Newcomb, Independent Gun Club, Philadelphia; D. T. Leahy, Crescent Athletic Club; Harry T. Edwards Union City, Tenn.; J. Cushing Todd, Newburyport, Mass.; Harry Lee, Greensboro, N. C.

Other events on the season's schedule include hundred-target handicap tournaments for sterling cups, to held weekly from January 30th to March 27th, inclusive. For the four best scores made in these events, the winner to have shot at not less than eight hundred targets, a gold medal will be awarded. In addition the programme will include numerous invitation shoots for contributed cups.

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SUNDAY SERVICES.

Announcements by Wilmington Pastors for Pulpits Today.

St. Thomas' Catholic church: First mass 7 A. M. Last mass and sermon 10:30 A. M. Vespers, 7:45 P. M.

Grace M. E. Church, corner Fourth and Grace streets, Rev. J. C. Wooten, pastor. Services at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school in afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Public cordially invited.

First Baptist church, corner Fifth and Market streets, Rev. Dr. J. H. Foster, pastor—Subject at 11 A. M.: "Blowing the Trumpets;" at 7:30 P. M., "The Result of a Dream." Sunday school at 3:30 P. M. Every member is urgently requested to be ta the services on the first day of the year. The public is cordially invited c all the services.

Fifth Street Methodist church, Rev. G. T. Adams, pastor.—Preaching at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M., by the pastor, Sacrament of Lord's Supper will be administered at the morning service. Special invitation to the membership of the church to be present.

St. John's church, Third and Red Cross streets, Rev. W. E. Cox, rector—Holy Communion, 11 A. M., with sermon by Rt. Rev. Robert Strange, D. D., Bishop of the diocese. Sunday school, 4 P. M. Evening service and sermon, 8 P. M. Seats free at all services. All are cordially invited.

The Right Reverend Robert Strange, D. D., Bishop of the diocese, will conduct the service and preach at St. John's Episcopal church this morning at 11 o'clock. It is always a privilege and a pleasure to have the Bishop with us in the chancel and in the pulpit, and a special invitation is extended to all ot attend this service at St. John's church.

St. Paul's Lutheran church, corner of Sixth and Market streets, Rev. W. A. Snyder, pastor. New Year. English service with New Year's sermon and the Holy Communion, 11 A. M. Preparatory service, 10:30 A. M. English vesper service with sermon, 7:30 P. M. Sunday school 3:30 P. M. A cordial invitation to all Seats free.

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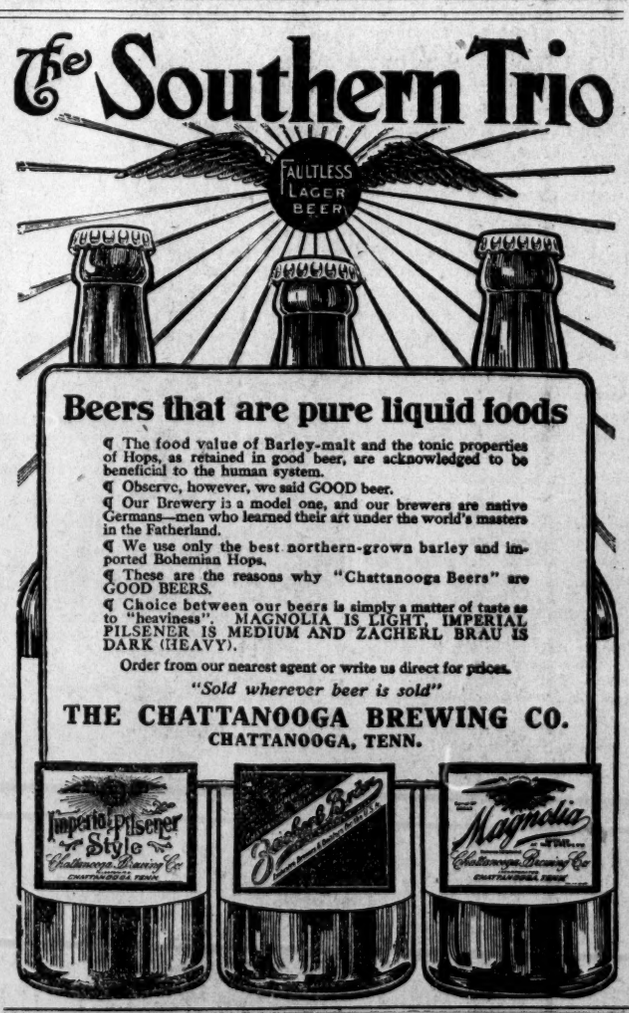
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